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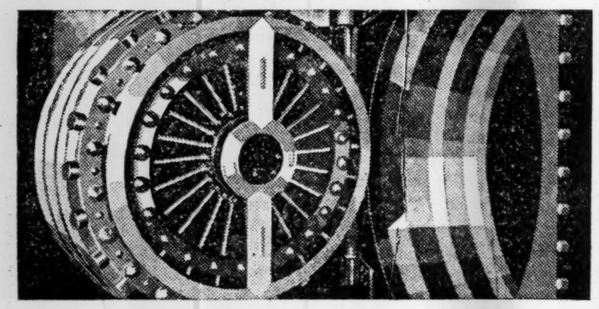

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*(R. J. BARRETT, Financial Editor.)*

Stock markets are described as cheerfully idle. The bulk of the business passing is of a purely investment character, but signs are not wanting that the public are on the look-out for suitable speculations, while sufficiently mindful of past losses to tread very warily. Repayments to the Bank of England following the turn of the half-year were extremely heavy, but now that they are completed, money has again become easy, and but for the apparently insatiable French appetite for gold conditions would be easier still.

As it is, the hope of a lower Bank rate has been practically abandoned, but this does not prevent a continuance of the demand for British Funds. Despite the fact that War Loan 5 per cent. and Conversion 5 per cent. give by far the highest yields, investors show a marked preference for Conversion 3½ per cent. and Funding 4 per cent. indicating a robust confidence in the continuance of the spell of easy money. India stocks were not perturbed by the Viceroy's speech, despite the consternation it caused in political circles.

A further substantial recovery in Australian Government loans was a feature of the week. The difficulties of the present situation are frankly admitted, but the courage shown by the Premier in imposing fresh taxation, and the fact that he will be able to benefit from the expert advice of Sir Otto Niemeyer, have helped to restore confidence.

Brazilian and San Paulo Government bonds displayed fresh weakness on the decision of the new President to cease supporting the milreis and to let it find its own level in the markets of the world. This policy, while intrinsically sound, would have been more commendable if it had been adopted many years back, when Brazil's finances were in a more flourishing condition. A period of unsettlement is indicated, but the Republic's vast resources will eventually enable the present difficulties to be overcome.

The majority of holders of Underground Electric Income bonds having decided to convert into shares, the relatively small balance remaining will be paid off at 108 with accrued interest, roughly equivalent to the present price.

### *SAFEGUARDING INDUSTRY.*

Now that the bankers' historic declaration on fiscal policy has been signed by the chairmen of the "Big Five" and by other prominent financial authorities, the question is being asked whether other representatives of the financial and commercial world should not likewise express their opinion on a subject which has become the chief topic of discussion not only in the City but in Parliament and throughout the country. What, for instance, are the views of great industrial leaders, of eminent financial magnates, of the mercantile community generally, and of shipping and insurance interests? It would be highly interesting to know, and the country would welcome authoritative guidance from such quarters on what has become a vital economic issue.

It is recalled that when fiscal policy was previously a matter of acute national controversy meetings of the citizens of London were addressed at Guildhall by the protagonists of both sides. Might it not be well if that precedent was followed on the present occasion, so as to give the City an opportunity of making its voice felt on a great national question in which it is profoundly interested?

Slowly but surely events have been moving in the direction of a renewal of a discussion which many old-fashioned people had supposed to be dead and buried. British industry, under the pressure of increasing foreign competition, has been passing through a period of growing depression, from which an extensive application of the remedy of safeguarding seems to offer the only means of escape.

Investors are becoming tired of seeing profits decline when actual losses are not incurred, and of a steady diminution of the dividends declared by representative concerns. They are tired, too, of hearing chairmen complain that owing to foreign competition important orders are being lost at home and abroad. They would welcome, therefore, any change calculated to restore struggling enterprises to a state of prosperity. The bankers' resolution has inspired them with fresh hopes, already reflected to some extent in Stock Exchange values.

### *INDUSTRIAL POINTS.*

Headed by Guest Keens, Babcock and Wilcox, and Stewarts and Lloyds Deferred—the three which have been frequently singled out as the most reliable holdings in this group—Iron and Steel shares experienced a general recovery in anticipation of the benefits to be derived from safeguarding. It was not long, of course, before the buyers started to take their profits, causing a reaction; but the possibilities lying in the political situation have aroused public interest, and Industrials look like shaking off some of their lethargy.

Dunlop Rubbers went ahead rather rapidly in the hope that the McKenna duties will, after all, be prolonged; but here again eagerness was shown to take profits, and the same applies to the few Motor shares which caught the public fancy. These included Austins, mentioned last week, which ran up to 28s. before their set-back. Good buying of the Preferred Ordinary was noted, and it is considered that these would not be dear at 10s. Among the aeroplane engine-makers, both Rolls-Royce and Napiers are favoured as speculative investments.

Cables and Wireless, as was to be expected, derived no comfort from the report, and it remains to be seen whether the directors will have any encouragement to give at the coming meeting, at which some outspoken criticism is likely to be heard. Towards the close a demand sprang up for all the stocks. A keen demand prevailed for Newcastle-upon-Tyne Electric new 5 per cent. Debenture stock, and Edmundson's Electricity 5 per cent. Debenture stock, although not well subscribed, quickly recovered from its opening discount to 5-16 prem. The excellent results announced by Henley's Telegraph Works served to direct attention afresh to Electric Construction shares, among which Johnson and Phillips and Siemens experienced some recovery.

Liptons were freely bought because of the company's peculiar position in relation to the provision stores combine, now registered under the name of Allied Stores, Ltd., and the prospect that the Ordinary shareholders will be bought out on favourable terms. Columbia Graphophones recovered on fresh support from New York. These and Gramophones continue to keep very level in price, suggesting the prospect of amalgamation on a share-for-share basis, despite the fact that Columbias are only 10s. shares. The market had been prepared for poor results from the Vocalion Gramophone Company, and the passing of the dividend came as no great surprise.

Courtaulds eased on the fear of a cut in the interim dividend to 3 per cent., but the announcement is postponed till this week-end. J. and P. Coats displayed strength, importance being attached to the recent deal by which the company obtained control of its principal Continental competitor. Its ally, the English Sewing Cotton Company, announced poor results and a decreased dividend, notwithstanding which buyers came forward for the shares. The decision to wind up the Nuera Company came as an unpleasant shock, though the shares had been for a long time past merely a nominal market.

A rally in Imperial Chemicals, on the reassuring statement issued by Lord Melchett, unfortunately did not last, and other market leaders displayed a rather uncertain tendency. The International group as a whole was shaping better, and Kreuger and Toll, with Swedish Matches, were helped by the news that the latter company has secured the Guatemalan match monopoly, indicating that expansion still goes on.

Breweries continue to move up to the accompaniment of rumours of amalgamations and working agreements, which are occasionally confirmed. City of London Deferred 5s. shares have risen to 13s. 3d. on the prospect of a start being made with dividends now that the rights of the managing committee have been commuted. While testifying to the strength of this prosperous holding company, the incident has raised afresh the question of managers' prior charges in other concerns.

### *INVESTMENT HINTS.*

Allen-Liversidge, the makers of acetylene plant, reduced their interim dividend from 5 per cent. to 4 per cent., but the final is maintained at 5 per cent., making 9 per cent. for the year. Profits declined from £73,407 to £61,820 owing to intensified competition, though a larger business was done. The Australian company, while paying a smaller bonus, has made a distribution of bonus shares. The South African subsidiary paid more, and the Indian company earned larger profits. The shares at 1 5-16, yielding 6 7-8 per cent., are an interesting speculative investment.

Victoria Falls and Transvaal Power Company Participating Preference again receive their full 10 per cent. for the past year, and at 1 11-16 yield practically 6 per cent., allowing for accrued dividend. Profits have increased in each year since 1921, and for 1929 amounted to £380,331. To pay 10 per cent. on the Preference shares and 15 per cent. on the Ordinary required £311,500. Reserve and carry-forward total £772,500.

Buenos Aires and Pacific Railway new 5 per Cent. (1912) Debenture stock was issued at 82½, and is now 50 per cent. paid, the balance of 32½ per cent. being due on September 17. At par, free of stamp, this is considered to be a cheap investment, the yield being slightly over 6 per cent., and as redemption is at the option of the company in or after 1950, the stock is practically permanent. To pay the interest requires £250,000, whereas the amount available as shown by the prospectus was £1,843,454.

At the present rate of progress the Costa Rica Railway Company should have redeemed all its Prior Mortgage Debentures in about eight years. This will leave the £655,000 6½ per Cent. Debenture stock with a first charge on the undertaking, which, until the concession expires in 1990, is rented to the Northern Railway Company of Costa Rica, a subsidiary of the United Fruit Company. The 6½ per Cent. Debentures stand at 96 ex dividend, and the yield of 6¾ per cent. is attractive. Their interest amounts to £42,575, whereas the rental received from the Northern Railway is £149,100.

San Paulo Coffee Institute 7½ per Cent. Bonds have fallen to what the market calls the "default price" of 77, at which the yield is almost 9¾ per cent., or, including redemption, over 10 per cent. Yet there is no indication of coming default. The July coupon was punctually met, and there is no reason to doubt that the January coupon will also be paid. The coffee position is difficult, and the fall in the milreis does not improve matters, but the obligations of the State of San Paulo have always been met hitherto, and at the present price the bonds may appeal to those who require a speculative foreign investment giving a high return.

### *TIN UNCERTAINTIES.*

From the official statements the conclusion had been drawn that the leading tin interests were unanimous on the question of output restriction. In these circumstances a mild sensation was caused by the speech at the meeting of the Kent Company by Mr. F. E. Mair, who is chairman or director of about a dozen Malayan companies and a member of the executive of the Tin Producers Association. Mr. Mair stated, *inter alia*, that he could not regard the closing down for two months of a certain limited proportion of producers as equitable regulation of output, and he put forward calculations suggesting the restriction scheme to be inadequate. In usually well-informed quarters it is considered doubtful whether Mr. Mair's attitude will be maintained; in any case, the Tin Producers' Association scheme is not likely to be imperilled. The fall in tin and in the shares of tin companies due to the apparent dissensions was followed by a partial recovery. Despite the decline in copper, Rio Tinto show an advance, chiefly on Paris buying; others of the group have given way. Broken Hills continue on the down-grade. San Francisco were depressed by a poor return.

Interest in Kaffirs has been chiefly concentrated upon Sub Nigels and one or two of the medium-priced shares such as Main Reefs and Randfonteins. At one time Subs were no better than 2 9-16; demand for Cape account, presumably attributable to developments, occasioned a rally. Modders were temporarily depressed by the liquidation of a deceased account. Diamond shares have been sold on gloomy reports as to the trade in the stones. In the main Northern Rhodesians have presented a rather friendless appearance; a little support was forthcoming at the lower levels. Scarcely any business has been recorded in American and miscellaneous descriptions. Amongst the latter Tigon dropped ¼ on a bout of forced selling, but regained part of the loss.

### *OILS STEADY.*

The Oil share market has again been influenced by the general trend of affairs in other sections of the Stock Exchange. No definite selling pressure was encountered, and in all but a few isolated descriptions a firm tone was maintained.

The chief feature of interest was the publication of the particulars of the long-awaited British Controlled reconstruction scheme. The effect of the announcement on the market was that a sharp advance occurred in the Preferred shares, while the Common slipped back. The holders of the Common are naturally asked to make a larger sacrifice. In addition to their holding being cut down by 60 per cent., they are asked to consent to the surplus profits (after payment of the fixed 7 per cent. on the Preference) being divided equally with the Preference until the latter shall have received in any year an additional 13 per cent. It is hoped that as soon as the scheme goes through regular dividends of 7 per cent. will start on the Preference.

The good report of the Phœnix Oil and Transport Company, particulars of which were given in these columns last week, created a favourable impression, and demand arose for both the £1 and the 1s. shares in recognition of the high yields offering at present levels.

The Eagle issues provided the most active market, although even there the volume of business transacted was limited. Royal Dutch were a consistently firm spot, buying emanating from Amsterdam in addition to good local investment demand.

### *RUBBER WEAKNESS.*

Raw rubber prices fell to new low records after opening the week with a sharp recovery to 6 3-16d. The rise was caused by the publication of a statement that a restriction of 25 per cent., with a pivotal price of 9d., had been agreed upon by the British-Dutch Liaison Committee. Lack of official confirmation resulted in a steady fall in prices, and on Friday the new low level of 5¾d. for Spot was recorded.

Although the delay in issuing a more detailed statement of the recommendations agreed upon by the Liaison Committee caused some uneasiness, there were a number of quarters which held the view that such delay can in no way be regarded as an unfavourable omen. Without doubt the majority of opinion is that the only effective scheme of restriction would be one which was compulsory, and backed up by both the British and Dutch Governments. Assuming that the representatives of both nations are approaching their respective authorities, it is obvious that any premature statement would do unnecessary harm to the market should such negotiations break down or be unduly delayed.

Meanwhile the fresh fall in the price of raw rubber emphasises the necessity for drastic steps to deal with the serious position brought about by over-production. World monthly consumption at present is estimated at about 63,500 tons, while production per month is about 71,500 tons.

Tea shares were distinctly firmer with a fairly general improvement in quotations. Buyers were in a marked majority with stock difficult to obtain around current levels. Hopes of effective results from the agreed crop restriction were thought to be the main reason for the more cheerful tone. It was pointed out that tea is in rather a different position to that of other industries. Short plucking cannot be made up in the same season, and thus nullify an agreed limiting of supplies.

### *THE OUTLOOK.*

As was suggested recently, political considerations are giving Stock Exchange business a much-needed stimulus, the obvious advantages of safeguarding to the heavy industries, as well as to manufacturers of motors and tyres, being quickly seized upon as an excuse for speculative buying of such shares. There is clearly a possibility that the movement will extend and broaden, and it is conceivable that Home Rails will be drawn into its scope, for, logically, what is good for British trade should be good for traffics.

Those who are attracted by the possibilities should not forget that they are very much in the air and that the buyers who first "discovered" the political situation as a means of making money are not likely to wait before securing their profits. On the other hand, there are certain unpleasant realities, including the deplorable showing of the June trade returns, the huge total of the unemployed, the apparent failure of efforts to overcome foreign competition, and the persistent weakness of staple commodities, which afford plenty of justification for the views of those pessimists who predict a still lower range of industrial values.

It is, therefore, not surprising that a considerable volume of well-informed opinion still insists upon the necessity of "safety first" in Stock Exchange operations. The demand for gilt-edged stocks, as was expected, remains very keen, and investors are ready to subscribe for Industrial and other issues offering ample security, but are promptly scared off by the least hint of speculative risk. This mood is, perhaps, being over-emphasised, but it is healthier than the recklessness exhibited during the boom.

## PAST WEEK'S MARKET FEATURES.

| | July 4. | | July 11. | + Rise or — Fall. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **GILT-EDGED.** | | | | |
| War Loan 5% | 103⅞ | | 103⅞ | + ¼ |
| Conversion 5% | 104½ | | 104⅞ | + ⅛ |
| Do. 3½% | 79 | | 79⅛ | + ⅛ |
| Consolidated 4% | 88⅛ | | 88½ | + ⅛ |
| Funding 4% | 90⅛ | | 91¼ | + ⅛ |
| Australia 5% | 87½ | | 90 | + 2½ |
| Victoria 5% | 85½ | | 88 | + 2½ |
| **FOREIGN.** | | | | |
| Brazil Rescission | 57¼ | | 53½ | — 3¾ |
| Do. 6½% | 83¾ | | 80 | — 3¾ |
| Chinese 1913 | 59½ | | 58 | — 1½ |
| Japan 5½% | 11⅜ pm | | 11⅜ pm | + ¼ |
| German 5½% | 21⅛ dis. | | 21⅝ dis. | — ⅛ |
| Peru Pref. | 42½ | | 42 | — ½ |
| S. Paulo Coffee | 83½ | | 77 | — 6½ |
| **INDUSTRIALS.** | | | | |
| Allied News | 1⅛ | | 1⅛ | — |
| Amal. Press | 20/6 | | 20/6 | — |
| Daily Mail Trust | 2⅜ | | 2⅜ | — ⅛ |
| Cables & W. Pref. | 80 | | 77 | — 3 |
| Do. "A." Ord. | 29 | | 26 | — 3 |
| Do. "B." Ord. | 13 | | 12 | — 1 |
| Imp. Chemical | 21/- | | 22/1½ | + 1/1½ |
| Dunlop Rubber | 12/- | | 12/10½ | + /10½ |
| Austin Motor | 25/- | | 23/4½ | — 1/7½ |
| Guest Keen | 34/3 | | 35/9 | + 1/6 |
| Babcock and W. | 55/- | | 56/6 | + /6 |
| Dorman Long | 4/- | | 4/9 | + /9 |
| Baldwins | 2/3 | | 2/6 | + /3 |
| Intern. Nickel | 24⅝ | | 25 | + ⅜ |
| Courtaulds | 2⅜ | | 2⅛ | — ¼ |
| Columbia Graph. | 3½ | | 3⅞ | + ⅜ |
| United Molasses | 2½ | | 2⅜ | — ⅛ |
| Taylor, Walker | 36/- | | 36/9 | + /9 |
| Swedish Match 'B' | 15 | | 15⅞ | + ⅞ |
| Lipton | 4/9 | | 5/10½ | + 1/1½ |
| Intern. Tea | 22/6 | | 23/6 | + 1/- |
| **MINES.** | | | | |
| Sub Nigel | 2¾ | | 2⅜ | — ⅜ |
| Bwana M'Kubwa | 13/- | | 13/- | — |
| Congo Borders | 13¾ | | 13¼ | — ½ |
| N'Changa | 2½ | | 2⅝ | + ⅛ |
| Tanganyika | 1⅜ | | 1⅜ | — |
| De Beers Def. | 7⅜ | | 7 | — ⅜ |
| Rio Tinto | 34½ | | 34⅝ | + ⅛ |
| London Tin | 17/3 | | 15/6 | — 1/9 |
| Tigon (5/-) | 18/9 | | 15/- | — 3/9 |
| San Francisco | 15/6 | | 14/6 | — 1/- |
| **OILS.** | | | | |
| Anglo-Persian | 4⅛ | | 4⅛ | — ⅛ |
| Burmah | 41¼ xd | | 40⅝ | — ⅛ |
| Lobitos | 1¾ | | 1⅛ | — ⅛ |
| Royal Dutch | 327⅜ | | 328½x | + ⅝ |
| Shell Transport | 4⅜ | | 4⅜ | — ⅛ |
| V.O.C. | 2⅛ | | 2⅛ | + ⅛ |
| **RUBBERS.** | | | | |
| Braunston | 7⅜ | | 5¼ | — ⅛ |
| Malaya General | 1¾ | | 1⅝ | — ⅛ |
| United Sua Betong | 2½ | | 2⅜ | — ⅛ |
| Manchester | ⅛ | | ⅛ | — ⅛ |
| **TEAS.** | | | | |
| Cons. Tea & Lands | 20¼ | | 21½ | + 1¼ |
| Jhanzie | 43/1½ | | 46/3 | + 3/1½ |
| Jas. Finlay & Co. | 3⅜ | | 4 | + ⅛ |
| Pabbajan | 4⅜ | | 4⅞ | + ¼ |

# MONEY MARKET.

## EFFECT OF REPAYING THE BANK.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

On Wednesday last, the Money Market repaid the final loans obtained from the Bank of England during the acute pressure at the end of June. The liquidation of its debt was not, however, accomplished without a considerable effort, in fact, it was found necessary to ease the market's position by special purchases of early September bills at 2 5-16 per cent.

When the pressure for money was greatest, borrowers were forced, in some cases, to pay up to 3½ per cent. for fresh advances, but the more general charge of lenders was 2½ to 3 per cent. The week-end, as is customary, brought about a considerable diminution in the demand for funds, and rates have consequently relaxed smartly. To-day credit until Monday was offered down to 1½ per cent.

In the discount market, business continued restricted, and while at times the tendency appeared to be a trifle easier in consequence of freer buying of bills by the joint stock banks, most of the leading houses adhered to 2⅝ per cent. as their rate for three months' fine commercial drafts, owing to the continued demand for gold on French account.

France, as expected, acquired the bulk of the large amount of gold available in the open market, and also took from the Bank of England since Monday last bars to the value of £933,772. On buying orders from India, silver prices have recovered to 15 15-16d. per ounce for cash, and 15 13-16d. for future shipment.

A feature in the foreign exchange market has been the strength of Swiss francs, the rate falling smartly from 25.06¼ to 25.02½. Exchange on France continued to move against us, but sterling in New York has remained steady.

| — | Method of quoting. | Par of exch. | Quotations. July 12 | Quotations. July 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Paris, cheques | Fr. to £ | 124.21 | 123.60-.62 | 123.66-.69 |
| Berlin | Mks. to £ | 20.43 | 20.38⅛-.39 | 20.39⅜-.40⅛ |
| Brussels, ch'ques | Belgs to £ | 35.00 | 34.82½-.83 | 34.81½-.82 |
| Amst'rd'm, chqs. | Fl. to £ | 12.107 | 12.09⅜-.09¾ | 12.08⅜-.8⅝ |
| Italy, sight | Lire to £ | 92.46 | 92.85-.88 | 92.86-.92.89 |
| Greece | Drch. to £ | 375 | 374¾-375¼ | 374¾-375¼ |
| Madrid, sight | Pes. to £ | 25.22½ | 41.96-42.06 | 41.45-41.50 |
| Lisbon, sight | Escudo | 4.501½ | 108⅛-108⅜ | 108⅛-⅜ |
| Switz'rl'nd, sight | Fr. to £ | 25.22½ | 25.02½-.03 | 25.06-.061¼ |
| Oslo sight | Kr. to £ | 18.159 | 18.15½-.16¼ | 18.15½-.16¼ |
| Stockholm, sight | Kr. to £ | 18.159 | 18.09⅜-.10¼ | 18.09⅜-.10¼ |
| Copenhagen, sight | Kr. to £ | 18.159 | 18.15⅜-.16¼ | 18.15⅜-.16¼ |
| Helsingfors | Mks. to £ | 193.23 | 193⅜ | 193¼-193⅜ |
| Vienna | Sh. to £ | 34.58½ | 34.43-34.47 | 34.43-34.47 |
| Alexandria, sight | Pstrs. to £ | 97⅛ | 97⅛-97⅜ | 97⅛-97⅜ |
| Prague | Kr. to £ | 24.02 | 163⅞-.164 | 163⅞-164 |
| Bucharest | Lei to £ | 25.22½ | 817-819 | 817-819 |
| Bombay, T.T. | Rupee | 1s. | 1s. 5⅝d. | 1s. 5⅝d. |
| Calcutta, T.T. | Rupee | 1s. | 1s. 5⅝d. | 1s. 5⅝d. |
| Hong Kong, T.T. | Dollar | — | 1s. 3⅜d. | 1s. 3¼d. |
| Shanghai, T.T. | Tael | — | 1s. 6¼d. | 1s. 6⅛d. |
| Singapore, T.T. | Dollar | 2s. 4d. | 2s. 3⅜d. | 2s. 3⅝d. |
| Kobe | Yen | 24.58d. | 2s. 0⅝d. | 2s. 0¾d. |
| New York, cable | Dol. to £ | 4.864 | 4.86⅛-.86⅜ | 4.86⅛-.86⅜ |
| Montreal, cable | Dol. to £ | 4.864 | 4.86-.86⅛ | 4.86⅛-.86⅜ |
| Rio de J., T.T. | Milreis | 16d. | 5⅝-5⅞ | 5⅝-5⅞ |
| Buenos A's, T.T. | Dollar | 47.58d. | 40⅛-40⅜ | 40⅛-40⅜ |
| Valp'r'iso, 90d'ys | Pesos to £ | 40 | 39.96 | 39.95 |
| Montevideo, T.T. | Dollar | 51d. | 42⅛-42¼ | 41¾-42¼ |
| Lima | Sols to £ | 12.166 | 13.00 | 13.07½ |

# REPORTS & NOTICES

MARTAPOERA RUBBER.—Net profit for year, £1,997, plus £4,519 brought in. Estates amortisation reserve receives £2,000. Forward £4,516.

THORNTON-SMITH.—Dividends on Preference at 6 per cent., on Ordinary at 10 per cent., and on Deferred 6s. per share (30 per cent.) in respect of year to March 31.

CALLENDER'S CABLE AND CONSTRUCTION CO.—The directors have appointed Mr. Theodor Petersen, M.I.E.E., one of the joint managers, assistant managing director, with a seat on the board.

LLOYDS BANK.—A sub-branch is now open at Walsgrave Road, Coventry, under the supervision of Mr. R. L. Meats, manager of the Coventry branch, the hours of business being 10 till 2.30. Saturdays 9.30 till 11.30.

ROAN ANTELOPE COPPER MINES.—Preliminary assay results from Roan Antelope Extension Borehole No. 13, beginning at a depth of 1,201.4 feet, indicate 37.70 feet true width of sulphide ore, averaging 3.04 per cent. copper.

STANDARD OF SOUTH AFRICA.—Net profits to March 31 amounted to £652,477, compared with £621,466. Distribution is maintained at 17 per cent., including bonus of 3 per cent. After again allocating £100,000 to premises account, balance forward is £125,001, compared with £122,524.

NATIONAL BANK.—Profit for half-year was £135,716, against £146,507 for first half of 1929. Available balance, £166,082. Dividend, 14 per cent. per annum (same); £10,000 (£15,000) to reserve; £10,000 (same) to premises; £10,000 £15,000) to contingencies; forward, £31,092 (against £29,290).

"SANITAS" CO.—Net profit to March 31, £61,520 against £59,522; dividend, 46¼ per cent. (45 per cent.); forward £3,619 (£3,000). Since end of financial year Co. has completed purchase of over 98 per cent. of share capital of Oppenheimer Son and Co., manufacturing chemists, representing about £195,000. (Co. is controlled by Sanitas Trust.)

BARTHOLOMEW (London).—Net profit for year was £25,190, against £50,981 for 1928-29 and £92,150 for year preceding. It is proposed to maintain the maximum dividend of 10 per cent. on Seven per Cent. Participating Preference shares, and to pay a final of 10 per cent. on the Ordinary, making 20 per cent., as against 60 per cent., carrying forward £290, after crediting £1,545 brought in.

OSWALD TILLOTSON (1929).—First report of company, which was incorporated in May, 1929, to acquire a business of motor engineers and dealers, shows profit for year 1929 of £19,123. Deducting income-tax, balance is £14,821. It is proposed to write off preliminary expenses £3,485, to write off goodwill £2,484, transfer to capital reserve £474, dividend at 10 per cent. per annum, with £4,194 forward.

MUFULIRA COPPER MINES.—According to cabled advice from Rhodesia, preliminary assay results from Borehole No. 16, beginning at a depth of 1744.01 feet, indicate 17 feet true width of ore, averaging 2.31 per cent. copper, approximately 75 per cent. oxidized. (This hole, which is shown on the plan issued with the March progress report as completed at 1,203 feet without encountering the ore horizon, has since been deepened by diamond drill with the above results.)

MINING TRUST.—Weekly progress report states: Mount Isa, Lawlor shaft depth 326 ft. Drifts, crosscuts, etc., 306 ft. New Guinea Goldfields: Location No. 8, S.E. drift advanced 8 ft., total 458 ft., assay 78s. 6d., width 33 inches; Location No. 9a, S.E. drift from No. 2 N. crosscut advanced 25 ft., total 72 ft., assay 97s. 3d., width 56 inches; Location No. 14, the ore reported last week in the adit is associated with porphyry and considered to be the continuation of the ore blocked out by surface trenching 100 ft. higher up.

# ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

C. S. (Dorset).—Do not care to advise a further purchase.

LECHLADE.—Would not sell any of these at present prices.

DOUBTFUL.—Cannot advise cutting losses at present prices.

COTTON.—Keep the Motor shares for a possible rally in an active market.

LIMERICK.—Nos. 1, 3, 4, and 5 should be held. No. 2 should go better in time.

Boss.—The Preference dividend was not paid. Would rather sell than average.

H. H. S.—Cannot advise taking the present price for Wyndhams Marine Patents.

CALMA.—The shares only went ex dividend this week, and you are not entitled to the dividend.

PUZZLED.—Cannot advise taking the present price. Perhaps you will get some guidance at the meeting.

J. R. (Highgate).—A speculation on the prospect of further oil discoveries, and as such might turn out well.

W. T. P. (Bradford).—The scheme is unsatisfactory. Do not send your proxy, and if possible attend the meeting.

LONDON X. Y. Z.—Guest Keen and Nettlefolds might suit you as an Industrial investment with prospects of appreciation.

W. H. B.—All that can be said is that there is no market in the shares at present, but it looks as though dealings may start shortly.

MERSEYSIDE.—The Insurance, Tobacco, and Bank shares are satisfactory. Of the bonds, prefer South Manchurian 4½ per cent. Keep the Tea shares.

L. L.—(1) A purchase would have to be regarded as speculative. (2) The Australian Bank shares might be bought if you can wait for recovery.

Q. H. (Newport).—(1) Singers should be held. A purchase to average would be a fair speculation. (2) Atlas Electric are a good holding. No reason to wait.

A. M. R.—Peruvian Corporation Preference have fallen because of the bad commercial situation and fears of a reduction in the dividend. Cannot advise selling at the present level.

LATANG.—Wait a while if you can before selling any of the Industrials and watch for opportunities. No. 6 is a sheer speculation on developments. Nos. 9 and 10 are fair holding for dividends.

READER (Sutton).—As you say, the people who sponsored the concern are still confident, and one can only hope they will turn out right. Some indication should be given at Wednesday's meeting of the N.C. Metal Company.

LECTOR (Belgium).—(1) Kreuger and Toll and Swedish Match "A" should be held, but the times are not propitious for bonus distributions. (2) Suggest you write to 69, Farringdon Road, E.C.1, which appears to be the company's present address.

J. B. (Katni).—War Loan 5 per cent. stock would be the best selection for your purpose. To raise the yield you might invest a part of the sum in B.A. and Pacific Railway New 5 per cent. Debenture stock and Japanese Government 5½ per cent. Conversion Loan.

**Owing to pressure on our space, we have had to hold over a large number of "Answers to Correspondents." These will be sent through the post.**

# INCOME-TAX QUERIES.

MIMOSA.—No tax is payable on profit arising from sale of factory.

E. W. D.—You can write to Secretary, Inland Revenue, Somerset House, in the matter.

A. E. K.—You cannot claim allowance for son who is over 18 years of age and articled.

ENQUIRER.—Marriage allowance is not deduction for super tax purposes. Super tax is payable on any income in excess of £2,000 per annum, i.e., on £2,100 super tax is payable on £100.

B. W. S.—A properly executed deed of gift is effective, and fact that recipient of gift might afterwards voluntarily and without agreement make present to giver of part or all of income of gift would not matter.

A. S. K.—The income of husband and wife must be taken together for purposes of income-tax and sur-tax irrespective of whether income belongs to wife or husband. No deduction can be made in circumstances mentioned.

S. T.—Income-tax is deductible from mortgage interest at rate in force on day when interest falls due for payment. It is true that interest accrues from day to day, but it does not fall due for payment from day to day, but only on agreed days when payment can be demanded.

SCOTTISH LAD.—(1) If you make over irrecoverably any investments, money or property to son, income therefrom becomes his, and you cease to pay tax thereon from date when you part with it. (2) Gifts inter vivas attract death duties if made within three years prior to death.

E. A. L.—If taxed dividends for 1929-30, of which that dated 31/3/30 is one, account for sufficient income to cover tax deductible by you from mortgage interest, you do not owe revenue anything. It would be advisable to write direct to Chief Inspector (Claims), Cornwall House, Stamford Street, S.E.1.

D. C.—The return should be made on basis of his income from stocks, shares, and rents and statutory assessment on farm under Sch. B. He can then claim in respect of farming loss deduction by way of refund, and this loss will be set off against total statutory income. Apply to Inspector of Taxes for district in which farm is situated.

A. C. L.—You should write to inspector for claim form for expenses of repairs and maintenance. You can claim allowance of actual cost of repairs and maintenance on average of five preceding years to extent to which this exceeds statutory allowance which has been made from gross Sch. A assessment in arriving at net Sch. A assessment.

M. E. Q.—Income from foreign sources is taxed as follows:—(1) If in shape of dividends or interest payable through any bank or paying agent in this country tax is deducted by payer, who accounts for it to Revenue. (2) If income is from securities, stocks, shares or rents, it is assessable on owner on basis of amount of income arising abroad whether remitted to him in this country or not. (3) If income is from any other foreign possessions it is assessable on basis of income remitted to this country.

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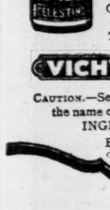

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COMPANY MEETINGS.

## THE AMALGAMATED DENTAL COMPANY.

### PRODUCTION OF HIGH-GRADE MATERIALS.

The twenty-fifth annual general meeting of The Amalgamated Dental Co., Ltd. (formerly Claudius Ash, Sons and Co., Ltd., and De Trey and Co., Ltd.) was held on Monday in London.

Mr. E. Russell Polden, Chairman of the company, who presided, said that, having regard to all the circumstances, the directors felt that the results proved that, by the strenuous efforts made in all branches of the business, they had maintained their position. There was an available profit of £212,649, which compared with £215,307 in the previous year. The directors recommended dividends similar to those paid for 1928.

There was unquestionably a certain satisfaction to be derived from the steady and progressive awakening of the public mind to the importance of dental health. The company employed in all its departments the best available brains in research and technical work, and confined its activities solely to the production and distribution of materials and equipment of the highest grade. The dental profession generally was extremely jealous in its regard for the quality of the materials they used, and it might fairly be said that they regarded high-grade materials in a sense as their collaborators. The administrators of the various schemes for the care of dental patients made distinct specifications in regard to this important question of quality, so that the professional man in charge of the work was safeguarded, as was also the public, and there was accordingly reason to believe that the general advance towards better health should react in a favourable manner in the company's interests.

Competition from various sources was a factor which had to be dealt with, but the company's products continued to receive a full meed of support throughout the world.

The report and accounts were unan

# TABLE WATER FUSION.

## SCHWEPPES' NEW INTEREST.

### CONTROL OF KIA-ORA SOUGHT.

The SUNDAY TIMES understands that negotiations are being completed by which Schweppes, the table water manufacturers, will acquire the controlling interest in Kia-Ora, manufacturers of fruit juices and cordials.

Schweppes, an old-established concern, has an issued capital of £1,225,000, while about £320,000 debenture stock is outstanding.

Kia-Ora was formed last year to take over an existing business. The issued capital is £410,000 in shares of 10s. each, which are now quoted around 11s.

For the year to September 30 the business earned a trading profit of £69,663, sales having been the highest in its history.

The first dividend of the company was paid last month in the form of an interim of 4 per cent. less tax in respect of the year to September 30, 1930.

# JUTE CROP PROSPECTS.

## HIGHER YIELD PER ACRE ANTICIPATED.

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

DUNDEE, Saturday.

On Tuesday last the district returns of the acreage for the jute crop were received, estimating 3,506,700 acres under cultivation for season 1930-1931. This compares with the figures issued at this time last year of 3,319,500 acres, but these are now revised to 3,414,900 acres. The last crop yielded 10,450,000 bales, so that a much greater outturn is expected from the new crop, especially when it is considered that a good proportion of last season's crop was damaged in its early stages by heavy rains and flooding.

The market is generally looking for a 12,000,000 bale crop, as the yield per acre should be high on account of the very favourable conditions which have prevailed since the crop was sown. This should be considerably greater than required to meet the world's needs, which are now very much reduced owing to the lack of demand for jute goods. Besides, there is a large carry-over of fibre from past crops.

The Indian Jute Mills are to consume less jute by curtailing their production, of which so much has been heard during the past several weeks, and the estimated consumption of the remainder of the jute goods producing centres meantime is generally about 50 per cent. of normal, with little or no prospects of any improvement for some time to come.

It is not surprising therefore that prices of raw jute have fallen to some extent since the forecast figures were issued, and this has synchronised with a drop in prices of Calcutta goods.

# RUBBER FLUCTUATES.

## NEW LOW LEVEL TOUCHED YESTERDAY.

The price of rubber in the Mincing Lane market yesterday opened at the new low record price of 5¾d. per lb., but later the quotation improved and at the close spot was done at 5¾d., at which price the market had finished on Friday.

August showed no change at 5 13-16d., likewise September at 5¾d. October-December at 6d., but January-March lost 1-16d. to 6 13-16d. and January-December a similar amount to 6 9-16d.

Early in the week the spot quotation reached 6 3-16d. on a report that British-Dutch Committee had decided to recommend a curtailment of 25 per cent. in production.

Lack of confirmation of this and the absence of any official statement as to the outcome of the negotiations resulted in a relapse in prices.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Rubber—Outside prices.—First Latex Crepe Spot, 11⅜ buyers; Smoked Ribbed Sheets Spot, 11¼ buyers, 11½ sellers; Smoked Ribbed Sheets, August-September, 11⅜ buyers; Smoked Ribbed Sheets, October - November - December, 11⅜ buyers, 11½ sellers.

Rubber Exchange of New York Contract "A":—Easy with prices unchanged. July, 10.90; September, 11.10; October, 11.30; December, 11.60; January, 11.80; March, 12.10; Sales, 56 lots.—*Reuter.*

# APRIL'S RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

## MORE PASSENGERS BUT LESS GOODS.

Statistics compiled by the Ministry of Transport show that in April the total number of passenger journeys (excluding season-ticket holders) taken on all standard-gauge railways in Great Britain was 100,083,649, an increase compared with April last year of 224,906. The journeys taken by passengers at reduced fares increased by 467,294, and those at standard or ordinary fares decreased by 242,386.

Receipts from passengers (excluding season-ticket holders) showed an increase of £491,822. If the London tubes and Metropolitan district Railway be omitted, the figures show an increase in journeys of 109,338 and an increase in receipts of £438,983. For all companies the receipts from passenger train traffic (including season tickets and parcels and miscellaneous traffic, but excluding mails and parcels post) were £569,137 more than in April, 1929.

The total tonnage of freight conveyed (excluding free-hauled traffic) was 25,525,206, a decrease compared with April, 1929, of 1,762,681 tons, or 6.5 per cent.

The figures are affected by the incidence of Easter. In 1930 Good Friday and Easter Monday were both in April, but in 1929 Good Friday fell in March and Easter Monday in April.

Included in this figure were 15,625,113 tons of coal, coke, and patent fuel, a decrease compared with April, 1929 of 501,901 tons, or 3.1 per cent. Freight train receipts amounted to £8,185,208, a decrease of £759,196, or 8.5 per cent.

The freight-train miles run were 642,102 less than in April, 1929, a decrease of 5.4 per cent. The average trainload increased from 129 to 129¼ tons, and the net ton-miles per engine-hour from 446½ to 459½.

# MAIL AND STEAMSHIP NEWS.

(Note: l., left; d., due, c., called; p., passed; f., for; fr., from; a. arrived.)

**THE MAILS.**

ASCANIA (Cunard) London f. Montreal a. Southampton, 12.
ATHENIA (Anchor Donaldson) f. Montreal l. Liverpool, 12.
BEAVERBURN (Canadian Pacific) f. Montreal l. Gravesend, 12.
BURGELAND (Hal) Dairen f. Hamburg a. Shanghai, 12.
CAMITO (Fyffes) f. Kingston l. Avonmouth, 11.
CASTALIA (Anchor) f. Bombay l. Liverpool, 12.
DARIAN (Leyland) fr. Colon a. Liverpool, 12.
DUNBAR CASTLE (U.C.) London f. Beira l. Port Natal, 12.
ERMLAND (Hal) Dairen f. Hamburg l. Singapore, 12.
FULDA (N.D.L.) Bremen f. Taku a. Tientsin, 12.
LYONS MARU (N.Y.K.) f. Kobe l. Singapore, 12.
MANTUA (P. and O.) London f. Yokohama a. Southampton, 12.
MIRZAPORE (P. and O.) f. Bombay l. Kobe, 12.
NAGPORE (P. and O.) Yokohama f. Antwerp l. Gravesend, 12.
NARKUNDA (P. and O.) London f. Brisbane l. Sydney, 12.
NUDDEA (B.I.) Port Pirie f. London a. Dunkirk, 12.
ORAMA (Orient) London f. Brisbane a. Colombo, 12.
RAJPUTANA (P. and O.) London f. Yokohama a. Singapore, 12.
TALMA (B.I.) fr. Kobe a. Calcutta, 12.
TILAPA (Fyffes) fr. Tela a. Avonmouth, 12.
TOYAMA MARU (N.Y.K.) fr. Manila a. Shanghai, 12.

**STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.**

BARON YARBOROUGH fr. Port Said a. Calcutta, 12.
BRITISH ARDOUR fr. Abadan a. Avonmouth, 12.
GLENAPP fr. Nagasaki a. London, 12.
ORSEOLO fr. Genoa a. Colombo, 12.
PRESIDENT JACKSON f. Hong Kong l. Shanghai, 12.

# WALL STREET STEADY.

## TRADING CONTINUES QUIET.

### STRONG TENDENCY AT THE CLOSE.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Following early irregularity, the market displayed increasing firmness, but trading continued at an extremely modest pace. Commission House comment is still inclined to be uncertain, but with the return from Europe of a prominent bull operation somewhat sooner than expected, many shorts were inclined to close out commitments and await developments.

Moreover, some encouragement was derived from the marked decrease in the volume of trading on yesterday's decline, while news that large Pacific coast oil companies had agreed to end the gasolene price cutting war was also a reassuring factor.

Week-end trade reviews stated that quiet conditions still prevailed, but no change is anticipated at the present owing to seasonal trends.

The tendency at the close was strong. Hershey Chocolate rose five points, and U.S. Steel, Radio Corporation, General Electric, American Waterworks, Standard Oil of New Jersey, National Biscuit, New York Central, Consolidated Gas and Loews Incorporated; gained two to three points.

ADVANCES.—Atchison Topeka and Santa Fé shares advanced 2¼. Chesapeake and Ohio Common 2⅛. Chicago North-Western Ordinary, General Motors and Pan-American Petroleum "B" ¾. Great Northern Preferred and Union Pacific 1½. Lehigh Valley and Wabash shares 4¼. Missouri Kansas and Texas 1¼. Missouri Pacific and Wabash Preferred "A" ¾. New York Central and National Lead 3. Reading shares 1. American Can 3¼. Bethlehem Steel 1⅜. New York Consolidated Gas 2¼. General Electric 2¼. United States Steel Common 2⅝.

Government Bonds quiet. Railroad Bonds firm. The day's sales totalled 905,000 shares. Money on Call nominal. Sterling Exchange steady.—*Reuter.*

# COTTON INACTIVE.

## CONFIRMATION OF RAIN FORECAST AWAITED.

**EXCLUSIVE CABLE TO THE "SUNDAY TIMES."**

NEW YORK, Saturday.

The market steadied under light trading following the sharp break of nearly 40 points in October during the late dealings yesterday on professional liquidation.

The weather map showed no radical change in the abnormal conditions prevailing throughout the week, hot and dry conditions ruling generally, and moisture being confined to the extreme East Coast sections.

The market was quiet owing to predictions of showers in Oklahoma and Arkansas over Sunday and the fact that, should the dry region secure adequate moisture in the near future, confidence in a liberal yield would be restored. From past experience there is better chance of a large crop from a dry than a wet season.

The past six weeks have more closely resembled 1925 than any recent year, except for less rain in some sections and hotter weather. The weevil is kept down by high temperatures, but the plant must have sufficient moisture to maintain growth.

Owing to small exports and curtailed domestic consumption the amount of cotton in this country continues to increase over that of a year ago, being now more than two million bales larger than last year.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Cotton opened steady and 2 points down to 2 up. The market ruled quiet with operators awaiting developments in the weather conditions. In early dealings a little local selling for Bombay account, and private reports of showers in Alabama brought recessions, but the market rallied on the official weather map showing that rains were confined mostly to the Atlantic Coast, and that warm weather continues.

Week-end covering was a further helpful factor, and the market closed steady with old contracts 10 to 9 points higher, and new deliveries 12 points to a point up. Spot steady at 10 points rise.

At New Orleans futures opened 3 to 2 points higher, and closed 20 to 8 points up. Spot advanced 12 points.

Highest and lowest prices in the last thirty seconds of trading at New York.—July, 13.00-13.00; August, 13.00-13.00; September, 13.00-13.00; October, 13.07-13.07; November, 13.14-13.14; December, 13.22-13.22; January, 13.22-13.22. New Contracts: October, 12.79-12.78; November, 12.87-12.87; December 12.96-12.95; January, 13.00-12.99; February, 13.09-13.09; March, 13.19-13.19; April, 13.27-13.27; May, 13.37-13.36. Spot Middling Upland at New York, 13.20.

Highest and lowest cotton prices in the last minute of trading at New Orleans:—July 12.62-12.62, October 12.82-12.81. Spot Middling 12.72.—*Reuter.*

WASHINGTON, Saturday.

The Census Bureau announces the quantity of cottonseed crushed since August 1 totals 4,952,000 tons.—*Reuter.*

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

American Futures opened about 14 to 15 points lower. Prices hardened on reserve of sellers and some week-end covering. The final quotations were quiet steady at 12 to 13 points decline.

Closing Futures:—American: July, 7.18; August, 7.03; September, 6.94; October, 6.88; November 6.85; December, 6.87; January, 6.89; February, 6.91; March, 6.96; April, 6.98; May, 7.02; June, 7.04; July 7.06. Egyptian: Sakellaridis: July 11.27; November, 11.27; December, 11.33; January, 11.37; March, 11.52; May, 11.67. Upper: July. 8.94; November, 8.32; December, 8.35; January, 8.42; March, 8.53; May, 8.66.

Spot Market.—Americans are slow of sale, and quotations reduced 11 points. Brazilians quiet, and 11 points lower. Egyptians in fair demand. Sakellaridis 15 points lower with "Extra Fine" unchanged. Upper quotations 17 and Pilion 10 points lower. East Indians reduced 10 points.

Spot Quotations.—American Middling. 7.62; Brazilian Pernam Maceio, etc., Fair, 6.92; Egyptian Sakellaridis F.G.F. 12.32; East Indian M.G. Broach good, F.G., 5.10, Fine, 5.35; Tinnevelly F.G.F. 6.40, good. 6.70; M.G. Oomra, good, 4.05, F.G., 4.30. Fine, 4.55; M.G. Bengal, good, 3.95, F.G., 4.15, Fine, 4.35.—*Reuter.*

# OILS IN REQUEST ON THE CURB.

## UTILITIES & INDUSTRIALS IMPROVE.

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Trading on the Curb market ruled dull, but finally a brisk demand for oils imparted a more cheerful tone, some representative issues recording advances of from 1 to 3 points.

Among Utilities advances ranged from fractions to 2 points. Vacuum Oil, Humble, Cosden, and Standard Oil of Ohio were the most prominent in oils, rising 2 to 3 points.

Industrials generally improved, but investment issues were easier, Trans-America declining 4 points on a proposed reduction in the dividend.

| Eng. Equiv | Stocks. | Closing bid. Sat. | Fri. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 115½ | American Gas and Electric | 112 | 112 |
| 60 | American Light and Traction (New) | 58⅜ | 58⅝ |
| 35½ | Associated Gas and Electric A. | 34⅛ | 33⅜ |
| 40⅜ | Brazilian Traction Light & Power | 39½ | 38⅞ |
| 18¼ | Celanese Corp. of Amer. Com. | 17⅝ | — |
| 26⅞ | Cities Service | 26⅞ | 26⅝ |
| 5⅛ | Creole Oil | 5⅛ | 5⅜ |
| 82¼ | Electric Bond and Share | 80⅛ | 78¼ |
| 18⅝ | Electric Shareholding Common | 18¼ | 18¼ |
| 41⅛ | Ford (Canada) "A" | 40 | 31 |
| 130½ | Gulf Oil of Penna | 127 | 123½ |
| 93½ | Humble Oil | 91 | 88 |
| 19¼ | Imperial Oil of Canada | 18⅝ | 20¼ |
| 19 | International Petroleum | 18½ | 18½ |
| 28⅞ | Middle West Utilities | 28¼ | 27⅞ |
| 87⅜ | Newmont Mining | 85 | 85 |
| 17⅝ | Niagara Hudson Power Corporation | 16⅞ | 16⅝ |
| 12⅛ | Penn Road Corporation | 12 | 11½ |
| 15⅛ | Silica Gel. Corporation | 15 | 15 |
| 51⅜ | Standard Oil of Indiana | 50¼ | 50 |
| 33⅛ | Swift International | 32¼ | 32¼ |
| 91½ | Vacuum Oil | 89 | 86⅛ |

**FOREIGN SECURITIES.**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6⅛ | Associated Electrical Industries | 5⅞ | 5⅞ |
| 2½ | British Celanese Ord.* | 2⅞ | 2⅞ |
| 2⅛ | Burma Corporation | 2⅛ | 2½ |
| 3⅛ | Bwana M'Kubwa | 3¼ | 3¼ |
| 5/8 | Cables and Wireless "B"c | 5⅝ | 5⅜ |
| 15⅛ | Ford of England £1 shares (f.p.) | 15½ | 15½ |
| 12⅛ | General Elect. Ord.* | 12⅛ | 12⅛ |
| 17½ | Gramophone Ord.* | 17 | 17 |
| 39⅛ | Hydro-Electric | 38 | 38 |
| 4¾ | Marconi Canada b | 4⅝ | 4½ |
| 9¼ | Marconi Marine Ord.* | 9 | 9 |
| 19½ | Roan Antelope a | 19 | 19½ |
| 1⅛ | Spanish & Gen. Corp. Ord. Reg. & Br.* | 1⅛ | 1⅛ |
| 1 1/4 | Triplex Glass Ord.* | 7/16 | 7/16 |
| 134½ | United Molasses | 131⅜ | 131⅝ |

* American Deposit Receipt.
*a* Receipt represents four English shares.
*b* Warrants for Shares Sold. *c* £1 units.

# DIVIDEND REDUCED.

## TRANS-AMERICA COMPANY'S PROSPECTS.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

A sharp drop in the price of its shares on the New York and San Francisco exchanges has led the Trans-America Corporation to issue a statement to its stock-holders reviewing its finances. The Trans-America is the largest bank holding corporation in the world.

In the statement it is announced that the board will recommend that the October quarterly dividend be 25 cents per share instead of the usual 40. It is pointed out that the current market and economic conditions make it unreasonable to expect that in the immediate future the Corporation will increase the earnings of several years past from the purchase and sale of securities.

It is emphasised that the future is bright. The consolidated net profits for 1929 were 67,316,309 dols., representing about 3 dols. per share. The assets on December 31 last were 1,167,116,000 dols. The 3 per cent. stock dividend declared last March will be distributed when the June dividend is disbursed.—*Exchange Telegraph.*

# PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

WHEAT.—Steady ¼ c. up to unchanged. No. 2 Northern Manitoba Spot 103⅛, No. 2 Hard Winter Spot 92½, No. 2 Red Winter Spot (New) 98⅛.

RYE.—Firmer at ¼ c. rise. No. 2 Spot 55½.

FLOUR.—Steady 10 points up to unchanged. Springs Clears 100 per cent., 5.10 to 5.25.

PETROLEUM.—Steady. Standard White in cases 16.65, barrels 13.25, Philadelphia 13.25, Mid-Continent Crude 33 to 33.9 Baume 1.18½, Pennsylvania Crude 1.75 to 2.05.

COFFEE and Cocoa markets have been closed to-day, together with the SUGAR market.

CHICAGO, Saturday.

Wheat commenced steady and 1½c. to 1¼c. higher, then all receded on advices of cooler temperatures in the North-west, a bearish Illinois Central Railroad report indicating a good yield in Iowa, and also on offerings of Hard Winter wheats at 9d. lower to the United Kingdom. A rally ensued on bullish advices from the Dakotas, and week-end covering, and the market closed steady unchanged to ¼c higher. No. 2 Hard Winter Spot, 86⅝; Closing Options, July, 86½; September, 89½ to 89⅝; December, 95½ to 95⅝.—*Reuter.*

## WINNIPEG WHEAT.

WINNIPEG, Saturday.

Wheat opened steady and ½c. to ⅝c. up, but soon receded on selling by seaboard and Chicago houses, exporters offering Manitobas at from 6d. to 10½d. lower to the United Kingdom, and a forecast of thunder showers in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The firm close of Buenos Aires, and private reports indicating that a large area of Saskatchewan was beyond recovery, coupled with active covering, later influenced a rally, and the market closed firm at ⅜c. and ⅝c. rise. Closing Options.—July, 93⅝; October, 97⅜; December, 99½.—*Reuter.*

# NEW YORK METALS.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

The following quotations are supplied by Messrs. C. S. Trench and Co.:—

Copper.—Steady. Lake, spot delivered consuming points in Middle West, 11.62½ asked; Electrolytic spot delivered Connecticut Valley, 11.50 asked; Electrolytic f.a.s. New York prompt delivery, 11.50 asked; Electrolytic f.a.s. New York 30-90 days, 11.50 askehd; Casting f.o.b. New York Refinery, 11.00 asked.

Straits Tin.—Barely steady spot and August both 10 points lower. Spot and nearby New York, 29.50; Future Option, August, 29.60.

Lead.—Steady and unchanged. Spot, New York, 5.25; Spot. East St. Louis, 5.15.—*Reuter.*

# "SUNDAY TIMES" NEW YORK CLOSING PRICES

## RAILROADS.

| Eng. equiv. | Stocks. | Closing bid. Sat. | Fri. | Eng. equiv. | Stocks. | Closing bid Sat. | Fri. | Eng. equiv. | Stocks. | Closing bid. Sat. | Fri. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 226⅝ | Atchison | 220½ | 218 | 82¼ | Gt. Nthn. Pf. | 80 | 78½ | 232⅛ | Norfolk & West | 226 | 85 |
| 151/8 | Atlantic C. L. | 147 | 149 | 118⅛ | Illinois Central | 115 | 115¼ | 75⅛ | Northern Pacific | 73½ | 73½ |
| 107⅞ | Baltimore & O. | 105 | 105½ | 21⅛ | Int. R. C. Am. | 21g | 21g | 77⅜ | Pennsylvania | 75½ | 75¼ |
| 191⅝ | Canadian Pac. | 186½ | 186¾ | 62⅛ | Knns. City S. | 60½ | 58¾ | 111 | Reading | 108 | 107 |
| 47⅛ | " (New) | 46½ | 46⅜ | 133⅛ | Louisvl. & Nash. | 130 | 130 | 95⅛ | S. Louis S. Fran. | 92¾ | 91½ |
| 192½ | Ches. & Ohio | 187¼ | 184½ | 1 | Mex. Nat. 1st Pf. | 1c5g | 1a | 62½ | St. Louis S.W. | 61 | 60½ |
| 10½ | Chic. G. West | 10½ | 10⅝ | ⅜ | Do. 2nd Pref. | 3c1g | 3g | 61⅛ | Sea. Air Line | 61g | 63g |
| 36 | Do. Prfd. | 35 | 36 | 41 | Missri. K. & Tex. | 39⅞ | 38⅝ | 119⅛ | Southern Pacific | 116⅝ | 116½ |
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# BROADCASTING.

## TO-DAY'S PROGRAMMES

Dr. H. R. L. Sheppard, Dean of Canterbury, returns to his old pulpit at St. Martin-in-the-Fields this evening, when his address will be broadcast in the Nations' programme. Dean "Dick" Sheppard was last heard by listeners on May 12, 1929. An appeal will be made by the present Vicar, Rev. Pat McCormick, on behalf of St. Martin's Summer Holiday Fund. The National Orchestra of Wales and the English Singers will also be heard on the National programme.

**NATIONAL (261.3 metres and 1,554.4 metres).**

**10.30. a.m.** (1,554.4 metres).—Time and Weather.
**3.0.**—Church Cantata (No. 33), Bach, "Allein Zu Dir, Herr Jesu Christ" ("To Thee Alone, Lord Jesus"); Esther Coleman (contralto), Tom Pickering (tenor), Arthur Cranmer (baritone); Midland Wireless Chorus; Midland Siring Orchestra; relayed from Midland Institute, Birmingham.
**3.55.**—Children's Service: Voices of the Sea, conducted by Mr. E. R. Appleton, from Cardiff.
**4.15.**—National Orchestra of Wales; Arnold Trowell (violoncello), from Cardiff.
**5.30.**—The English Singers: Flora Mann, Nellie Carson, Lillian Berger, Norman Stone, Norman Notley, and Cuthbert Kelly.
**6.0-6.20.**—Milton, 10—Reading from Paradise Lost —4, by George Rylands.
**7.55.**—Service from St. Martin-in-the-Fields; The Bells; Address by Dr. H. R. L. Sheppard.
**8.45.**—Rev. Pat McCormick appeals for St. Martin's Summer Holiday Fund.
**8.50.**—Weather and News.
**9.5.**—Albert Sandler and Park Lane Hotel Orchestra; Franklyn Kelsey (baritone); Albert Sandler (violin solos), from Park Lane Hotel.
**10.30.**—Epilogue.
**10.40-11.0.**—Silent Fellowship, from Cardiff.

**LONDON REGIONAL (356.3 metres).**

**3.30.**—British Imperial Military Band; Eric Marshall (baritone); Peggy Cochrane (violin).
**5.0-5.30.**—Society and Politics in the Old Testament, 10—the World-Call: Jonah, by Rev. Canon S. C. Carpenter.
**8.45.**—National.
**8.50.**—Weather and News.
**9.5.**—John Armstrong (tenor); André Mangeot (violin); Arnold Bax (pianoforte); Eugene Goossens (pianoforte); Victor Hely-Hutchinson (pianoforte).
**10.30.**—Epilogue.

**MIDLAND REGIONAL (479.2 metres).**

**3.30-5.30.**—London Regional.
**8.45.**—Mr. Dennis King appeals for Birmingham Children's Country Holiday Society.
**8.50.**—Weather and News.
**9.5.**—Midland String Orchestra; Arthur Cranmer (baritone); Cyril Christopher (panoforte).
**10.30.**—Epilogue.

**MANCHESTER** (376.4 metres); **NEWCASTLE** (288.5 metres); **LIVERPOOL** (288.5 metres); **LEEDS-BRADFORD** (200 and 288.5 metres); **SHEFFIELD** (288.5 metres); **HULL** (288.5 metres); and **STOKE-ON-TRENT** (288.5 metres).—3.0.—A Jubilee Service; sermon by the Most Rev. William Temple, Archbishop of York, relayed from Liverpool Cathedral, from Liverpool. 4.15.—Northern Wireless Orchestra; Mavis Stoddard (mezzo-soprano). 5.30-6.20 and 7.55.—National. 8.45.—Mr. Walter Cobbett appeals for Manchester and Salford Medical Charities Fund. 8.50 and 9.5. —National. 10.30.—Epilogue.

**CARDIFF** (309.9 metres); **SWANSEA** (288.5 metres).—3.0.—National. 3.55.—Children's Service conducted by Mr. E. R. Appleton: Voices of the Sea. 4.15.—National Orchestra of Wales; Arnold Trowell (violoncello). 5.30-6.20.—National. 7.55 and 9.5.—National. 10.30.—Epilogue. 10.40-11.0.—Silent Fellowship.

**BELFAST** (242.3 metres).—3.0.—National. 4.15. —Symphony Orchestra; Mavis Bennett (soprano); Bertram Lewis (violin); Gethyn Wykeham-George (solo violoncello). 6.0-6.20.—National. 7.55-9.5. —National. 10.30.—Epilogue.

**BOURNEMOUTH** (288.5 metres); **PLYMOUTH** (288.5 metres).—3.0-6.20.—National. 7.55-9.5.—National. 10.30.—Epilogue.

**GLASGOW** (398.9 metres); **ABERDEEN** (301.5 metres); **DUNDEE** (288.5 metres); and **EDINBURGH** (288.5 metres).—3.0.—National. 4.15.—The Octet; Catherine Stewart (contralto). 5.30-6.20.—National. 7.55-8.45.—National. 9.0.—Scottish News. 9.5.—National. 10.30.—Epilogue.

**DUBLIN** (413 metres).—Relay of Cork.—8.30. —Station Orchestra. 8.45.—Peter Howard (baritone). 9.0.—A. Keane (Pib Uilleann). 9.10.—Mary Sheridan (contralto). 9.25.—Mary Hilser (piano). 9.50.—Mary Sheridan. 10.5.—A. Keane. 10.15.—Peter Howard. 10.30.—Station Orchestra.

# FOREIGN FEATURES.

**BERLIN (1,635 metres, 26 kw.).**—7.30.—Recitations from Works of Clara Viebig, on occasion of her 70th Birthday.
**BERLIN (418 metres, 1.5 kw.).**—2.30.—Concert of Waltzes. 4.—Light Music. 7.—Recital of Arias.
**BRUSSELS (508.5 metres, 1 kw.).**—5.—Dance Music from Kursaal, Ostend. 9.—Selections from "Gwendoline" (Chabrier), "Aida" (Verdi), and "The Mastersingers" (Wagner); Invitation to the Waltz (Weber); Nocturne for 'Cello (Chopin). 10.40-11.40 (on 338.2 metres).—I.B.C. Concert of Dance Music for British listeners.
**COPENHAGEN (281 metres, 0.75 kw.) and KALUNDBORG (1,153 metres, 7.5 kw.).**—8.2.—Concert from the Works of Grieg. 9.15.—Concert of Old Lute Music. 10.45.—Dance Music.
**HUIZEN (announced Hilversum), (1,875 metres, 6.5 kw.).**—2.10.—Orchestral Concert. 4.40.—Choral and Mandoline Music. 7.50.—Choral and Orchestral Concert. 8.55.—Violin Recital.
**LANGENBERG (473 metres, 13 kw.) and COLOGNE (227 metres).**—8.—"Il Trovatore," Opera (Verdi), from Municipal Theatre, Aix-la-Chapelle.
**PARIS (1,725 metres, 12 kw.).**—6.30.—Dance Music. 7.30.—Radio-Guignol. 8.—Café Concert. 10.—Musical Programme.
**ROME (441 metres, 50 kw.).**—5.30.—Overture, "The Water Carrier" (Cherubini). Soprano Solos from Works of Mozart and Sarri; Baritone Sol

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PLAYHOUSE. EVGS., 8.30. Ger. 5162. GLADYS COOPER and GERALD du MAURIER in "CYNARA." by H. M. Harwood and R. Gore Browne, CELIA JOHNSON, ANN TODD, DORICE FORDRED, CAMPBELL GULLAN. Mats., Wednesday and Thursday, at 2.30.

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# THE DRAMATIC WORLD.

## A COUNSEL OF PERFECTION.

By JAMES AGATE.

Lyric, Hammersmith. Monday, July 7.

### "THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST."

**Revival of Oscar Wilde's Comedy.**

Wilde's masterpiece is a comedy not of manners good or bad, but of manners which never were. This is not to say that it is a comedy of people who never were, for that would not be true. Or not true about all the characters in the play. John Worthing and Algernon Moncrieff are alive and kicking to-day, by which one means that Bloomsbury still swarms with languid, half-alive young men looking preciously on while other people do the kicking. Montague called them vicious babies; the puling and the prattle still continue. Many things have happened since 1895, and doubtless in the most important of these John and Algernon, as the phrase goes, did their bit. But nothing can alter character, and the trivial mind will continue in its triviality through war and pestilence, even though the earth break in two.

**An Old Echo.**

A true story will illustrate this. Lunching recently in one of those tiny, crowded, and fashionable restaurants where everybody talks for the benefit of everybody else, I overheard the following scrap of dialogue between two of our brighter young. First Speaker: "As you say, the Yugoslavians have no body-urge. But isn't that because the Yugoslavian instep is insufficiently arched?" Second Speaker: "My dear, arches are terribly unimportant!" Alter "terribly" to "excessively" and we at once realise that the vicious baby, parading and sucking its intellectual thumb, is ageless. In Plato's day some young men probably talked like this, and in two thousand years the nonsense will still continue. In this respect Wilde's comedy is as true to life as anything which Ibsen and Strindberg, peering through goggles and with locks horripilating, contrived to set down. But there Wilde's invention—invention in the sense of hitting upon something actually existing—came to an end, for all the other characters in the play except two come out of the common stockpot of farce. The Rev. Canon Chasuble is only the Private Secretary grown older, and Lady Bracknell is Tom Robertson's Marquissy all over again. The two exceptions are the girls, and they, of course, have no reality at all. They do not even belong to the stockpot, and are not remotely like the young women of the period, who, I suggest, having emerged from the blue-stocking phase, were now beginning to take up lawn tennis and golf.

Writing in the same year as Wilde, Kipling, in "The Mary Gloster," described the Johns and Algernons as he saw them:—

> The things I knew was proper you wouldn't thank me to give,
> An the things I knew was rotten you said was the way to live.
> For you muddled with books and pictures, an' china an' etchin's an' fans . . .

whereas the young women of the period were moving, much to the dismay of people like Mrs. Lynn Linton, away from needlework and water-colour painting and in the direction of more virile occupation. But Wilde probably knew nothing, and certainly took no pains to realise anything, about this, and when the necessity of putting young women into his plays arose he merely stuck feminine labels on to John and Algernon talking as before. It would seem, then, that there are three kinds of characters in this light comedy—the perfectly observed young men, the broadly comic borrowings from tradition, and the young women who are mere evasions.

**Qualities of Wit.**

Nor is the wit all of a piece, for here again are three qualities. First, there is what we might call the normal Wilde, the mechanical, paradoxical stuff which nobody thought of before, and which everybody has been able to do since. Examples are Algernon's "In married life, three is company and two is none!" and his remark about women who flirt with their husbands: "It is simply washing one's clean linen in public." After thirty-five years wit of this purely paradoxical order begins to wear a little thin, like the plate on a candlestick; you get to the brass beneath. In other words, this kind has neither the purity nor the sublimity of sheer invention; we realise that without the brass-tacks of normal truth, which, incidentally, Wilde scorned, it could not have existed. But there is a better quality in Wilde which came about through his own brain, through nobody else's brain, and through nothing else. Good examples are: "To be born, or at any rate bred, in a hand-bag, whether it had handles or not, seems to me to display a contempt for the ordinary decencies of family life that reminds one of the worst excesses of the French Revolution. *And I presume you know what that unfortunate movement led to?*" The second sentence is the jewel here. Then take that speech in which Miss Prism identifies the hand-bag:

> Miss Prism (calmly): It seems to be mine. Yes, here is the injury it received through the upsetting of a Gower Street omnibus in younger and happier days. Here is the stain on the lining caused by the explosion of a temperance beverage, an incident that occurred at Leamington. And here on the lock, are my initials. I had forgotten that in an extravagant mood I had had them placed there. The bag is undoubtedly mine. I am delighted to have it so unexpectedly restored to me. *It has been a great inconvenience being without it all these years.*

This speech seems to me to be the "one entire and perfect chrysolite." Wilde's third quality is on a lower level altogether. The elaborate passage about having a thing out, producing a false impression, and so talking like a dentist, is not essentially better than H. J. Byron.

**Up Against It.**

There must always be two difficulties in connection with the revival of this play—the difficulties of presentation and of acting In the first, Sir Nigel Playfair has chosen the inexpensive, easy, and familiar way of fantasy. Take a few shillingsworth of cardboard, scollop the edges, cover them with black paper and something that looks like a schoolboy's freehand drawings in silver ink, prate of Aubrey Beardsley, and the thing is done. Or done when you have dressed the characters as Mr. Cochran might conceivably do, and as Mr. Charlot did, in a ballet expressive of the period. The argument seems to be as follows: Since when Wilde was writing plays Beardsley was illustrating books, the kind of scene which might have been devised by the one for a play by the other must necessarily produce the impression of parlours and gardens as they were lived in in the 'nineties. This seems to me to be not so much logic as a beanfeast of undistributed middles. A great part of the play's original effect came from the contrast between its exotic wit and the ultra-stuffy, ultra-cosy *décor*. For confirmation see du Maurier's drawings of Mayfair boudoirs of the period. Such wit was strictly impertinent, to place as well as to time. In Sir Nigel's setting it is strictly pertinent, because you wouldn't expect anything else. At Hammersmith the men are dressed realistically, while the costumes of the women suggest that Miss Tilly Losch will presently dance; and I cannot refrain from submitting that the stylised scenery gets in the way of the acting by calling attention to itself, which is the last thing that well-behaved scenery should do.

If the theory of triple characterisation be admitted, then this play cannot be acted as a whole, and criticism of the acting must confine itself to piecemeal commendation or the reverse. To begin with the reverse, John Worthing is played with immensities of perception, industry and resolution by Mr. John Gielgud, who is totally unfitted for the part, not because he is a tragic actor, but because he is a serious one. If ever a play be written round Matthew Arnold, here, with the addition of side-whiskers, is the actor! How jocosely Mr. Gielgud's mind may be framed cannot be my concern; the point is that the harder he tries to convey the sense of fun, the less he succeeds. Wilde's hero is saved from being a revolting ass, like our two friends of the luncheon-party, by the fact that he knows he is playing the fool. Mr. Gielgud works hard to give this impression; all that results is an increase of intensity. Worthing must pretend to loathe listening and to hate talking and looking at things. When Mr. Gielgud pretends, we simply don't believe him, for we know that, on the contrary, he would do all these things with immense point. The actor's difficulty is obvious. The part, we know, is mock-serious and must be played with immense gravity. But the quality of the gravity is that of a richly comic fellow who is keeping his face straight, whereas Mr. Gielgud can never at any time raise the ghost of a smile, with the result that we are invited to watch a serious actor pretending to be serious, which is nothing.

Mr. Anthony Ireland as Algernon was much more in the vein. The last time we saw Mr. Ireland he was sitting on a chest with a corpse in it. His manner was right on that occasion, and it is equally right in this dazzling charnel-house constructed over the body of the despised truth. Wilde probably did not perceive that if you turn his epigrams upside-down the play which he believed to be the apotheosis of the smart becomes the most obvious and voluble copy-book of morals and behaviour ever put upon the stage.

**A Fine Actress.**

Then, again, the choice of Miss Mabel Terry-Lewis for Lady Bracknell seemed to me to be wholly disastrous. This most accomplished actress is, of all living players, the best fitted to cope with the great ladies of Meredith, Mr. Galsworthy, or Mr. Aldous Huxley. This is as good as to say that she has no notion of conveying the ridiculous, and so must dissect Lady Bracknell for us instead of revelling in the gorgeous grotesque who steps absurdly out of an Arabian Afternoon spent in and about Mayfair. "How many bedrooms? Well, that point can be cleared up afterwards. . . . Now to minor matters. Are your parents living?" Surely the woman who is to say this should be a full-bosomed monument to the bygone arts of snobbery and blandishment. Miss Terry-Lewis does not in the least bespeak the age of the brougham or the victoria; she descends from to-day's motor-car and brings to her part a mind as efficient. One feels that she could have invented and written Lady Bracknell; in my view, she does not play her. Miss Iris Baker was much too conscious of the absurdity of Gwendolen, and Miss Heather Angel's Cecily was largely spoiled by faulty enunciation. Surely the actresses of these two parts should not perceive the nonsense that they are talking, but utter it with the heartfelt simplicity of Gilbert's Patience.

Mr. Charles Staite did not discover more than a quarter of the possibilities for unction that there are in Chasuble, and, in short, perfection hove in sight only with the appearance of Miss Jean Cadell, whose Miss Prism was something to marvel at. My space, however, is at an end, and I can only say that such a picture of genteel and strained virginity has never been presented before, and can never be seen again. For the benefit of those who detect a certain perversity of judgment in the foregoing, let me say that I have always regarded this play as totally unactable, and that the present attempt will probably be considered by many people to be very fine. Anyhow, the first-night audience deemed it so.

# FILM NOTES.

## "IN GAY MADRID."

By SYDNEY W. CARROLL.

I believe that once upon a time there was a Spanish-American war. The Americans of to-day, it would appear from the talkie to be heard at the Empire, are now in full nasal occupation of Madrid. Ramon Navarro, it is true, mutters a few soft words of Spanish in the film of "In Gay Madrid," just, perhaps, to throw in some local colour, but for the most part the language spoken by the people sounded to me 100 per cent. Yankee. I much enjoyed Ramon's singing. His lyrics, written for him by the Englishman Clifford Grey, fitted Xavier Cugat's music, always conventionally soothing and plaintively Iberian. The part he had to play was not wholly romantic. For it called upon him to make love to two ladies at the same time. One of his most effective scenes was slightly reminiscent of the balcony scene between Roxane and Cyrano. Jealousy, intrigue, students ragging and singing, ladies behaving with their customary incomprehensibility, make a true Hollywood syrup with the slightest Spanish flavouring.

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Our first-class English playwrights continue to suffer astonishing maltreatment in Californian studios. "Strictly Unconventional" is a talking picture alleged to be founded upon "The Circle," Somerset Maugham's brilliantly bitter and cynical Haymarket comedy. It has as much or as little resemblance to "The Circle" as it has to "Robinson Crusoe" or "Cinderella." I am not saying that the picture, judged entirely on its own merits, is not worth seeing. It is. It has a most entertaining snap of original American humour, but it drifts too often into a deadly seriousness quite foreign to the original. The acting of Lewis Stone, Paul Cavanagh, Catherine Dale Owen, Mary Forbes, and others, is good enough for this form of play, but quite out of key with high artificial satire.

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The word "propaganda" has a formidable and disturbing sound. Even Empire may be made a bore. The film now showing at the Palace Theatre reeks of patriotism, but scarcely ever comes under the heading of legitimate entertainment. It is called "One Family," and Mr. Walter Creighton, of British Instructional Films, has apparently had the free run of Buckingham Palace to aid him in his attempt to market Empire products. A London schoolboy falls asleep in his class-room and dreams about a plum pudding made for the King consisting entirely of Imperial constituents. This leads to a combination of Colonial travel scenes and some pantomime policeman excerpts from a harlequinade with transformation pageants, Lady Keeble, Miss Neilson-Terry, the Baroness Ravensdale, the Countess of Carlisle, Lady Lavery, and Miss Dadabhoy officiating as a sort of Dominion beauty chorus.

The precocious boy is played by Douglas Beaumont with much confidence and an unpleasing voice, whilst Sam Livesey as alternate policeman and High Court official does his worst with most unhelpful material.

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I do not know when I have enjoyed a programme at the films so much as I did the one at the New Gallery this last week. The two main events were respectively English and American: "Greek Street," directed by Sinclair Hill, and "The Gentleman Chauffeur," produced by G. J. Crone. They are both admirably executed talkies based upon silly ideas, the stupidity of which is almost entirely concealed by the technical skill and resource in production of the directorate. "Greek Street" shows a sense of broad humour and character, a lively regard for action and interest, and a charm of photographic artistry rare in English-made pictures. The acting of Sari Maritza pleased me mightily, as did that of Bert Coote and Bruce Winston. Mr. Arthur Hambling also merits a mention.

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# PLAYS AND PLAYERS

## THIS WEEK'S PREMIERES.

July 14.—Norwich: "Love's Labour's Lost" (Maddermarket Players).
July 16.—Arts: "The Devil and the Lady" and "The Dumb Wife of Cheapside."

The theatres, I understand, are not really down-hearted despite all the talk of slumps. "The First Mrs. Fraser" has been drawing houses with an average of 97 per cent. of capacity. Next Wednesday "Petticoat Influence" at the St. Martin's reaches its fiftieth performance (since the first night, I am told, there have never been more than one or two empty seats), and on Friday "The Man in Possession" at the Ambassadors makes its second century. Mr. Dennis King's decision to postpone his return to New York has enabled the run of "The Three Musketeers," which seemed to be in danger, to be continued indefinitely; "The Command to Love" at the Savoy has achieved a library deal at a time when libraries are supremely cautious; and the revival of "Jealousy" at the Little is bringing that theatre, so often closed, a run of luck. Next Friday, moreover, "Bitter Sweet" at His Majesty's reaches its 418th performance and its first birthday.

Meanwhile, though this is scarcely the time of year for new productions, there is much more activity in that way than might be expected. The Lyceum closes on Saturday, when "Here Comes the Bride" ends its run; then it will reopen on the following Wednesday with "Traffic," a detective play by Mr. Noel Scott, with Mr. Dennis Neilson-Terry and Miss Mary Glynne in the leading parts. "Traffic" has had an eighteen weeks' preliminary tour.

The beginning of September, of course, will see a crop of new entertainments. "Charlot's Masquerade" (the Charlot revue which will open the new Cambridge theatre) will be seen in London on or about September 3, after a trial fortnight in Birmingham. This will bring Miss Beatrice Lillie back to the West End stage; Mr. Henry Kendall, I am informed, will play opposite her instead of Mr. Seymour Hicks. Mr. Ronald Jeans is the author of the revue, which will have an extra sketch by Mr. Harold Simpson and lyrics for the most part by Mr. Rowland Leigh. The book is by Miss Auriol Lee, and the dresses and ensembles by Messrs. Quentin Tod and Harland Dixon.

"A Warm Corner" ends its long run at the Princes Theatre on Saturday: the production will then go to the suburban theatres and the company will make a talking-film version of the play before beginning rehearsals of "Hooray! It's a Boy!" another farce adapted by Mr. Austin Melford from the German of the same authors, which will open at the Princes early in September. Mr. W. H. Berry will, of course, again be in the cast.

The Carl Rosa Opera Company, now giving a season at the Strand Theatre, have found that their Wagner productions are far more popular than French and Italian opera; they are consequently revising their programme, and "Hansel and Gretel," which was to have been given next Wednesday, has been dropped in favour of a second performance of "The Flying Dutchman." Next Friday "Tannhäuser" will be given, and a week later "Siegfried." On Tuesday Mr. Isidore de Lara's "Messalina" will be presented. Mr. de Lara has secured the musical rights in "Trilby," and is composing the music for an operatic version of du Maurier's play, which will be produced shortly in the West End.

When the present operatic season ends the Strand Theatre will close for redecoration and refurnishing. After that it will be involved in the plans of the Henson-Shepherd management, which is taking the theatre for a long term and establishing Mr. Henson and Mr. Sydney Howard there in a series of "policy" farces. The first will be "The Code," by Mr. Austin Melford, which will open on September 29 after a week at Birmingham.

The Embassy Theatre at Swiss Cottage is to be thoroughly overhauled; the stage is to be reconstructed, and a new system of lighting is to be installed. It will then be ready for the programme of plays to be presented by Messrs. Alec L. Rea and A. R. Whatmore with their Repertory players from September to Christmas. Among the plays, probably, will be "The Macropolus Secret," by Capek, which Mr. Whatmore has just produced at the Arts Theatre.

Rehearsals of Miss Rachel Crothers's comedy "Let Us Be Gay," in which Miss Tallulah Bankhead is to play the lead, have begun under the direction of the authoress, and the production will be seen for the first time at Birmingham on August Bank Holiday. After a week there it will go to Liverpool for another week before coming to the Lyric Theatre. Miss Bankhead will be supported by a cast including Mr. Arthur Margetson, Mr. Francis Lister, Miss Sybil Carlisle, and Miss Helen Haye.

The Everyman Theatre Guild production of "Lady Windermere's Fan" is expected to run until the end of the month, when it will be obliged to make way for a play in which Mr. Ernest Milton will make a welcome return to the stage after his successes in America.

The variety programme at the Grafton Theatre will finish on Saturday. The theatre will then be closed for about two months, reopening in late September, probably with a play by Jean Cocteau. On Wednesday next and for the final performances Miss Sara Allgood will make one of her rare public appearance as a diseuse. Her repertory will include comedy poems, an excerpt from "Kathleen Ni Houlihan," the last speech in "Riders to the Sea," and a group of Irish and English folk songs. Another solo performer will be seen at the Globe next Thursday in the person of Miss Miriam Elias, a pupil of Stanislavsky and a star of the Habima Theatre in Moscow and the New York Yiddish Art Theatre. Miss Elias's first London recital will consist of excerpts from old and new Hebrew dramas and of negro spirituals.

Mr. Bowen Burrows, son of a London lawyer, has taken the Players' Theatre next Sunday for the production of seven of his own one-act plays, which will be given by a company including Miss Nan Marriott-Watson. Admission is by invitation.

Mr. Maxwell Wray, who has been director of the Sheffield Repertory Company for the past four years, has been appointed producer to the Birmingham Repertory Theatre. During his time in Sheffield Mr. Wray has produced seventy-five plays for the company, covering most of the best English and foreign authors. Outstanding productions have been "The Pigeon," by John Galsworthy; "The Adding Machine," by Elmer Rice; "Morn to Midnight," by Georg Kaiser; "Ghosts," by Ibsen; "The Witch," by Wiers-Jenssen; "The Conquering Hero," by Allan Monkhouse, and "Heartbreak House," by Bernard Shaw. The chairman of the board of management will be pleased to receive applications to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Wray's departure.

Miss Jose Collins will be at the Coliseum this week in a programme which also includes Miss Desiree Ellinger and Mr. Donald Mather, the Canadian Trio, and Miss Helen Millais in cockney impersonations.

Mr. Laddie Cliff has arranged to present the Franz Lehar operette "Frederica" at the Palace Theatre during the second week in September. The original production ran in Vienna for nearly a year. In this country the principal man's part will be played by Mr. Joseph Hislop (his first appearance in a musical play other than grand opera), while Miss Lea Seidl, who played the part in Vienna, will be Frederica. Another musical play promised for September is Mr. Robert Macdonald's revival of "The Maid of the Mountains," which opened in Manchester last Monday. Mr. Macdonald, who has been offered eight West End theatres on sharing terms, intends when he has made his choice to pursue the policy of popular prices. D. P.

# AUCTION BRIDGE.

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## CHANCES MISSED IN PLAY.

Strong play in defence does not appeal so much to the gallery as strong play in attack. The reason for this is that the attack is carried out single-handed by the declarer, whereas the success of the defence depends upon the combined play of the adversaries. Team-work is much more concealed than individual effort, and efficiency in team-work (which is a matter both of training and talent) is often overlooked, but not always. When two players, however good they may be individually, are not combining in play, but appear to be at cross-purposes in defence, then many chances of saving game are missed, and the declarer gets away with trick after trick to which he is not entitled.

Sometimes maxims will be found useful to guide combined play, while at other times players have to rely on their common sense. Generally speaking, simple informative play based on mutual trust pays best. The key-note of the strongest defensive play is the interchange of the maximum of information between partners by correct leads, correct signalling cards, etc. In the two examples discussed below the partners withheld valuable information from one another with disastrous results.

### A MISSED OPPORTUNITY.

It is a well-known maxim in Bridge that if a player has length in the suit led by his partner he should return a small card and not his highest after taking a trick when play is in "No-trumps." Like many other maxims, this one is often misunderstood. A small card is led back if the leader is likely to have greater length in the suit, but not otherwise. The lead of a small card is difficult to interpret, and the play of the suit may be discontinued owing to crediting the opponents with the missing cards, as in the following case, where the distribution of Hearts was:—

Play was in "No-trumps," the score being love all, and A led the 10 of Hearts. AB could have made four tricks in Hearts and one other trick, thus saving the game. Y played a small Heart on the 10 and B took the trick with the Ace and Z dropped the 3. B then led the 6 of Hearts, believing it was the correct way of showing four cards originally. Z played the 7 and A took the trick with the Knave. It was now impossible for A to tell what B's lead of the 6 of Hearts meant. B had not made the situation any simpler for his partner. Z might still have the Q, 9, 8, so A changed to another suit and lost the chance of saving the game. B was, of course, to blame. B knew that A's lead was not from any form of sequence or middle sequence (10, 9, 8, or K, 10, 9, or Q, 10, 9), because he himself held the 9; consequently, it must be from K, J, 10, x, or K, J, 10, x, x. Dummy has two small cards, so Z must have Q, x, x, or Q, x—exactly these cards. B cannot have a longer suit than A, so there is no object in leading a small card back. Again, as B knows that Z has Q, x, x (or Q, x), he can force Z to disclose the position of his Queen by leading the 9. It is strong play to lead medium cards through strength in order to establish winners in a partner's hand, and it is also good play to clear up ambiguous situations where possible by informative cards. It is better, even at the risk of occasionally losing a trick, to make the game simpler for one's partner. Assuming that B had returned the 9 and Z had covered it with the Queen, it is true that A would still have been in doubt as to whether the long Heart would be a winner. This, however, is a trifling element of doubt compared with the greater one of leaving three cards (Q, 9, 8) in doubt by the lead of the 6.

### BAD TEAM-WORK IN DEFENCE.

Here is a second case where the declarer benefited by the opponents being unable to interpret the situation. Each opponent played with his own particular object in view, and they consequently failed, owing to bad team-work, in defence. The cards were dealt by Z as follows:—

♠ 8 5
♥ Q 10 6 3
♦ J 10 2

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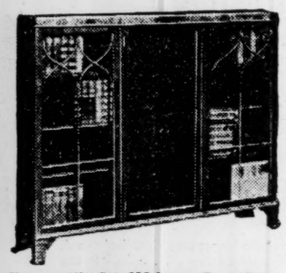
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# THE WORLD OF MUSIC.

## JOHN CHRISTIAN BACH.

By ERNEST NEWMAN.

As is the way with him, Professor Sanford Terry, in his latest book,* has provided us with an object lesson in the science of biography. Most musical histories and biographies are merely dilutions of long-familiar material, the writers having had neither the time nor the technique for original research. How many times, for instance, has Jahn's "Mozart" been boiled down and warmed up again for the purposes of popular biography, without the slightest effort on the cook's part to re-study the eighteenth century scene for himself! *Jahn! Jahn! Ueberall Jahn!* But Professor Terry comes to the writing of musical biography with a method derived from the study of history in general. He accepts no statement, however plausible, without verification on his own part. He explores, as the politician would say, every avenue that is likely to yield him the smallest new fact; in the present instance, for example, he has searched the old rate books of Soho in John Christian's time, and examined his man's banking account at Drummond's. The result of all this patient and scientific research is a book that, in virtue of its accuracy and its comprehensiveness, at once takes rank as the standard work on the subject. Professor Terry tells John Christian's life-story in fuller detail than it has ever been told elsewhere; and he gives us an exhaustive thematic catalogue of Bach's works in every genre, with a list of the libraries in which the manuscripts are to be found, as well as of the occasional printed editions.

### STEP-CHILDREN OF MUSIC.

Bach is one of the disinherited who will have to be exhaustively studied some day by some one with infinite leisure and infinite enthusiasm for his subject. One of these days a sorely-needed history of music will perhaps be written that will ignore the leading figures, except in the way of casual reference, and deal solely with what Mr. Eric Blom, in a book of admirable essays, has called the step-children of music—the composers who have dropped more or less completely out of the repertory, either because their work was not sufficiently vital in itself or because the hints they put into circulation were taken up and developed to better purpose by one or two of the greater men of their time, but whose dead and now forgotten bodies have helped to build up the fabric of music as the corpses of innumerable little marine organisms have gone to the making of a coral reef. Some ninety-five per cent. of the composers of the present day will be, to the historian of music a hundred years hence, no more than just such coral insects as Gassmann and Vogler and Gazzaniga and Sarti and a thousand other eighteenth century composers who are now little more than names even to the serious student of that period. And when the time and the man come for a searching study of John Christian Bach as a composer, the indispensable basis of it will be this book of Professor Terry's.

This son of the great Sebastian was a person of importance in his day. He was one of the vital influences upon the youthful Mozart; a composer of whose death a Mozart could say that "this is a sad day for the world of music" was certainly a personality. He may have owed a good deal of his worldly success to his handsome person and agreeable manners; but there is abundant evidence that by virtue of his music alone he managed to impose himself upon London, Italy and Germany in an epoch when the competition between composers was every whit as keen as it is now. But it was his misfortune on the one hand to write in a genre, such as that of the opera, that was too purely of its own age to be of all time, and on the other hand to find himself speedily out-distanced in the purely instrumental forms by men of more solid genius than his own.

### MUSIC IN THE 18TH CENTURY.

For the general reader, the main interest of Professor Terry's book will perhaps reside in the picture of musical life in London in the mid-eighteenth century. One notes with amusement how little we have changed; time after time we meet with types and episodes that seem no further from us than yesterday. Then, as now, a singer would "fail to do himself justice" owing to the rigours of our climate, and perhaps—who knows?—receive more admiration for singing moderately well under these distressing circumstances than he might have done had he sung at his best without them. We read in 1766, for example, of "a violent cold caught by Signora Spagnuoli, who otherwise would have charmed the town." Then, as now, parts were nobly undertaken by resourceful singers at very short notice. "When I entered the House," says a critic of that period, "a printed Hand Bill was presented to me which immediately accounted for the mutilated Condition in which I afterwards found the Opera, informing the Public that, in the Morning of that day in which the Opera was to be perform'd, Signora Visconti *positively* refused acting in it under Signor Savoi. But I was not a little pleas'd to find her malicious Purposes frustrated by the admirable Endeavours of Miss Young, who, tho' she had but a few Hours to read over the Part, justly gained more universal Applause than Visconti could raise in the *studied* Performance of this or any other Character she has appear'd in this season." Evidently there is nothing under the sun so unchanging in its pretty little ways as the opera star.

In the eighteenth century, however, the critics, having no law of libel to worry about, could express themselves on some of these matters with a frankness that must be the envy of some of my colleagues of to-day. "And tho' she [i.e., the Visconti]," continues the critic of 1766, "endeavour'd to brazen it out in the very Centre of the Gallery, I should suppose she felt no small Mortification at the public Testimony that was given of her Insignificance. How great then must be her *Assurance* to even *hint* a *Desire* to attempt the *first* Character in an Opera, when she has appear'd so contemptible even in a lower Part." With brave fellows like this to support them in the Press, one cannot quite understand the difficulty the managers sometimes had in putting the singers in their places.

### DE VARIIS.

The eternal London types meet us at every turn in Professor Terry's lively pages. There is the lady of fashion who was so enraptured with the singing of Signor Manzuoli that she paid £200 for a ticket for his benefit. To balance her there was the gentleman who protested publicly against Guarducci, who had cleared a thousand guineas at *his* benefit, being paid "£55 a night for singing at this distressful season, while the whole nation is complaining of oppressive taxes and insupportable poverty." Then, as now, operas were put on the stage with the minimum of preparation, and indulgence confidently asked, if credit not actually taken, for this typically English sin against art. When "Zanaida" was produced in 1763, the public was "desired to excuse any imperfections there may be found, since the whole was obliged to be done in a few days." And of course there were the usual gentlemen to write to the Press to say how much better English music and English performers were than all this imported foreign stuff, and what idiots the critics were not to see it.

In 1761 the "Public Advertiser" contained the following letter, that, with the alteration of a name or two, might have appeared in the SUNDAY TIMES any week during the present year. "Sir,—On Saturday last I was at the Comic Opera, the Maid of the Mill, for the twelfth Time, and I am not ashamed to own that my Liking was increased at every Representation. Yes, Mr. Woodfall, your Criticks, these Gentlemen of vast *Taste and Abilities*, may cry *Sing Song* as long and loud as they please; but I maintain that *The Maid of the Mill*, whether we consider it with regard to Plot, Character, Dialogue, Humour or Sentiment, is the best Dramatic Piece that has appeared on the English Stage for Twenty Years." This gentleman is not yet dead; I am sure it is he who has written me lately from various parts of the country to assure me that I was quite wrong about Toscanini—that they have a much better conductor in Little Pudlington-on-the-Marshes, or that the New York Orchestra cannot hold a candle to the Isle of Dogs Philharmonic.

* "John Christian Bach." By Charles Sanford Terry. (Oxford University Press. 25s.)

# THE WEEK'S MUSIC

***By Wireless.***

In the hot weather, and with so wide a choice before him, the wise man picks out the lighter things from the wireless programmes; these are not the days for worrying about the soul of Hamlet, or the problem of whether the matrimonial ventures of Œdipus come within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity. Fortunately the world seems to have settled down for the time being to the enjoyment of music that is just music and nothing more. Time was, and that not so long ago, when it was difficult to switch on your wireless set without hearing something or other that had no claim on your attention as a musician except the fact that it was written the day before yesterday. Now you may comb the ether from midday till midnight without lighting upon a single piece of music that either evades the responsibilities of key, as in atonality, or takes on itself the responsibilities of too many keys, as in polytonality.

The nearest thing to bad music in the modern style that I have heard during the past week by wireless was a Ballet Suite by the young Spanish composer Halffter—a pupil, I think, of Manuel de Falla. Not that there was anything baffling about this; its trouble rather was that it was so simple-minded as to verge at times on the inane. I am prepared to believe that the music may come nearer justifying itself in connection with the ballet; when the eye is agreeably engaged the ear is not too critical. But to hear this music of Halffter's without any outside distraction is to recognise at once the feebleness of the man's own invention and his dependence upon certain predecessors and contemporaries.

On one of the evenings of this week Miss Marcelle Meyer played the "Goyescas" of Granados. It is the fashion now in some quarters to disparage Granados and Albeniz at the expense of some of their juniors who cultivate what is held to be a more specifically Spanish idiom. But many of us who for a time were fascinated by the colour of Falla, for instance, are now going back with increased pleasure to Albeniz and Granados, who are "national" enough for all ordinary cosmopolitan tastes but are not too narrowly national, who can build up a longish work by other methods than those of mere repetition of phrase, and who altogether seem to have more grey matter in their musical medulla.

***Nineteenth Century Vienna School.***

Once more I have to comment on the remarkable revival, all over Europe, of interest in the music of the nineteenth century Vienna School. I should not be at all surprised to find, before long, something in our more up-to-the-minute hotels corresponding to the "Hungarian Bands" of thirty years or so ago; and one would not insist too rigorously—as, indeed, one never did in the past—on proof of the Magyar origin of these gentlemen so long as they could deliver the goods. The fine old Hebrew art—or ought I to say business?—of jazz is visibly on its last legs; and as the post-war generation, which prides itself on its brilliance and gaiety but is really of a devastating seriousness, not to say dullness, has not yet been able to produce any light music of its own that amounts to very much, it is not surprising that the wit and sparkle of composers like Johann Strauss and Offenbach should now seem doubly precious, both for their own sakes and by contrast with the jazz and the musical comedy of to-day. On one occasion Wagner raised his glass to toast "our classics, from Mozart to Johann Strauss"; but at no public dinner that I have attended have I heard any mention of "our classics, from Mozart to Zez Confrey." If we are to hear Strauss's music, however, it might be as well to have it played in at any rate a near-Viennese spirit. I heard a performance of the "Blue Danube" waltz from the Midlands the other evening, the rhythm of which suggested that very little of the water of the blue Danube has ever flowed into the Leeds and Birmingham Canal.

What ought to have been one of the most delightful experiences of the week—the broadcast of a potted version of Rossini's "Comte Ory," from Milan—was sometimes spoiled by atmospherics, Stock Exchange prices, and cricket scores. However, enough survived the wreck to prove that the music lovers for whom Rossini is the composer only of "The Barber of Seville" and the "William Tell" overture really do not know their Rossini. "Le Comte Ory," written in his prime, often has a touch that is lacking even in the "Barber." The story is an excellent one, for it is by Scribe; and all in all the opera would probably be a success in a really good modern production. The performance at Milan seemed, as well as I could make out, to be in the hands of quite capable singers, though the tenor jibbed at the high C sharps.

E. N.

***"Madame Butterfly" in English.***

It is remarkable how seldom one hears the quality of Act II. of "Madame Butterfly" fully realised, because the voices of the little Japanese and the faithful "Suzuki" blend but indifferently or are not quite in tune. That distinction marked the performance by the Carl Rosa Company at the Strand Theatre on Monday. The flower duet became a perfect delight. Both Miss Helen Ogilvie's and Miss Olive Gilbert's voices are of more than agreeable quality and production; the former is a competent actress, while the latter's make-up and demeanour carried a definitely Eastern illusion.

In Act I. the general turn-out of the production, on the musical side, had left a good deal to be desired. Miss Ethel Leginska, whose night it was, as guest conductor, was not successful in establishing an entente with all the singers, particularly the "Pinkerton"; so that, although William Boland sang his music particularly well, there were disconcerting lapses of continuity. Frederic Collier's "Sharpless" was powerfully incisive; and Robert Mawdsley's "Goro" well in the picture. The bridal chorus was none too tuneful. It seemed to me that most people did not find it easy to follow the beat, and though, with praiseworthy esprit de corps, a degree of eloquence grew, the circumstances did not favour gradation of a fine order.

***Kendall Taylor.***

By his recital at Grotrian Hall on Wednesday the young pianist Kendall Taylor advanced his reputation. His programme, with the Bach-Busoni Prelude and Fugue in D (one of the least efficacious of these arrangements) and the Liszt B minor Sonata as chief works, suggested ambitions of virtuosity. But he evidently does not attach more than its proper incidental value to mere fluency of performance. Through it he had something definite and interesting to say in all he undertook. What is flamboyant and what is sincere was identified in the Liszt, and the transitions from one to the other were adroitly managed; and his judgment, in a longish list of pieces by Chopin, Prokofieff, Dohnanyi, Ravel, and others, won attention and respect.

H. F.

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If Eve was the first woman, I say with infinite regret that Adam was the first cad. —*Rt. Hon. Stanley Baldwin, M.P.*

I am sorry to say that witnesses do lie, no matter how eminent they are, or how respectable they are.—*Mr. Justice Horridge.*

There is no portion of the laws of England that is less properly understood by magistrates than those relating to intoxicating liquors.—*Sir Alfred T. Davies.*

# THE GALLERIES.

## BARBIZON HOUSE EXHIBITION.

### LIVING BRITISH ARTISTS.

By FRANK RUTTER.

The Summer Exhibition at Barbizon House affords a further opportunity of testing by comparison the merit of contemporary British art. Paintings by living artists are here hung side by side with examples of such acknowledged masters as Bosboom, Boudin, Corot, Courbet, Daubigny, James Maris and Segantini, and most of them emerge from the ordeal with credit and honour. The British team here selected is rather different from and senior to those appearing in the two exhibitions reviewed last week, but it may be noted that the work of Mr. Wilson Steer appears in all three exhibitions.

Two quite recent paintings by this living master at Barbizon House are an uncatalogued portrait of Mr. Lockett Thomson and "Evening after Rain, Long Crendon," a jewel-like rendering of a fringe of trees seen against a watery sky.

### D. Y. CAMERON.

The most prominent exhibitor at Barbizon House is Sir D. Y. Cameron, who is seen at his best in his still but majestic painting of "Stirling Castle" (16), painted, I venture to guess, some fifteen or sixteen years ago. Reticent in colour, as the grey building which is the main feature of the composition necessitates, the picture gives a welcome and characteristic glimpse of hills on the far left of the canvas. Thus it is a completely typical "Cameron" in subject, yet in its limpid atmospheric simplicity it has an air of aloofness and impersonality that gives it supreme distinction. A painting of this quality rises above and beyond the merely "personal" landscape. The artist here reduces the scene before him to its significant essentials and so presents them to us that we, in turn, react to them as he reacted to the original vision, and feel that sense of majesty the artist himself surely felt.

Of six smaller oil paintings by Cameron in the same exhibition, "Ben Venue" (18), is a work particularly attractive in quality and design. An early Brangwyn oil, "On the Quayside, Madeira" (4), is supplemented by a group of his water-colours, among which "Ponte della Capava" (42) is the most effective in its structural delicacy and decorativeness, the slight and discreetly used wishes of colour enhancing but not obliterating that network of linear design which is one of Mr. Brangwyn's strongest points.

Thanks to his refined feeling for classical design and the lovely quality of surface which always characterises his paint, Mr. Bertram Nicholls easily holds his own in this select company. His "Collioure" (27), a romantically perched building on a cliff by the sea, is a painting which at once arrests attention by its mellow colour and stately arrangement, and the quiet charm of its conception is equalled by the sterling craftsmanship shown in its tender handling.

An exceptionally important water-colour, "The Reapers" (32), by Sir George Clausen, large in scale for the medium, yet undeniably successful, and some daintily executed figure studies in water-colour on fabric by Mr. Russell Flint are among the most attractive of the remaining British exhibits in this stimulating mixed exhibition.

### ANGLADA CAMARASA.

There are only two modern Spanish painters who really count and have considerable international reputations. One, of course, is Zuloaga, who after making a fortune is now living in semi-retirement; the other is H. Anglada Camarasa, who is having his first one-man London exhibition at the Leicester Galleries. It is a good number of years since any of his paintings have been seen in London, and it is possible that the present exhibition may cause some disappointment to those who knew and admired his earlier work. It would have been wiser, probably, had the artist shown a greater number of smaller pictures, and particularly those submarine subjects in which Anglada has been a pioneer.

Possibly the artist has heard some whisper of our national disposition to pay more attention to quantity than quality, and has punished us by sending a dozen *grandes machines* which rather look as if they had been painted to make a hit in the Crystal Palace. A public not impressed by acreage of canvas will be likely to prefer his moderately big "Bride of Benimamet" (2) to anything in the exhibition, though it must be admitted that his hugely long "Serenading at Jaca" (11) is a work of great interest. There is a fine sense of rhythm in the string of guitarists lolling in attitudes of languorous ecstasy; the rendering of the star-strewn night-sky is as successful as it is ambitious; the work is saturated with Spanish character and feeling in addition to its undeniable decorative qualities.

But just as the colour of Anglada's later paintings appears almost crude in comparison with the lovelier harmony of his earlier creations, so the rendering of form in many of these paintings seems weak in comparison with those monumental figure-drawings which twenty-five years ago were the wonder and envy of Montparnasse. In several portraits (e.g., 13 and 6) he gives a deliberately flat rendering of human figures which ill accords with the robust and plastic treatment of accessories. Worse still is the smooth, ironed-out finish of the face in his full-length of a Matador (4), whose splendid costume is painted with rugged jewel-like splendour and breadth. The hands are beautifully drawn in this portrait, but the treatment of the head—so different from all the rest of the picture—is an unpardonable concession to the ideal of the chocolate-box. One hesitates to accept this collection as completely representative, but so far as it goes it suggests that, if Anglada has increased in power, his work has not proportionately gained in beauty and grace.

### QUINQUELA MARTIN.

Benito Quinquela Martin, the Argentine artist who is holding an exhibition of his paintings in the New Burlington Galleries, devotes himself primarily to two subjects, the forge of the metal foundry and the port of Buenos Aires. The first, by its very nature, necessitates the use of hot, flaming colour, which, however wonderfully rendered, has lasting charm for few spectators; but in his port scenes there is great variety, and many aspects lend themselves to interpretation in delicious schemes of cool colour.

Eminently an epic painter—deeply interested in his subject, which he obviously knows thoroughly—Sr. Martin paints on an heroic scale, and his pictures are of a size which few private houses to-day could accommodate. But we are conscious that these pictures are not presented on this scale because the artist has any love for bigness in itself, but because he believes implicitly that his chosen industrial themes require a large canvas for their adequate interpretation. It is above all the life of a big and busy port that this artist is endeavouring to express in paint, its endless chain of movement, its subtle tonal beauties as the light changes from dawn to midday and from high noon to dusk.

### ROY DE MESTRE.

Mr. Roy de Mestre is a young Australian artist whose oil paintings at the Beaux Arts Galleries show distinct promise. He has a strong feeling for design, seen to advantage in "Middle Harbour" and some of his flower pieces, and while he has an eye to the geometrical planning which is the secret of successful space-filling, he does not deprive his subjects of their natural interest by treating them in so abstract a manner as to become unrecognisable to the majority.


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## AND DID YOU ONCE SEE SHELLEY PLAIN?

"The Friend of Shelley: A Memoir of Edward John Trelawny." By H. J. Massingham. (Cobden Sanderson. 21s.)

By DESMOND MacCARTHY.

In a sense, the whole of Mr. Massingham's life of Trelawny is an answer emphatically in the affirmative to the above question: "Yes, very plain indeed." And, after all, this is the central fact about Trelawny: he met Shelley and Byron and described them well; he thought Shelley the most perfect human being he had ever known; he never forgot him. But although Trelawny's biographer has thus hit the centre of his subject, his book is out of proportion. A grave defect pervades it; it is an excitable and excessive estimate of an excitable and excessive man, one who, being flamboyant, would have gained in interest by being soberly presented.

His biographer is, however, faced with special difficulties. We know nothing about Trelawny's early life except what he chose to tell us, and Trelawny was an inveterate romancer; while about the rest of his long life after the death of Shelley (he lived to be 88), though we know more, there is little to be said. Trelawny began as a myth and lived to be a link with the past. He is a fitter subject for a literary "kit-cat" than a biography, or, at least, for one of this length. And although I was entertained by Mr. Massingham's book, I regretted for other reasons that he had not aimed at compression. It would have saved his commentary from running into dubious and over-emphatic assertions.

### *The "Younger Son."*

I cannot help thinking that in treating Trelawny at such length Mr. Massingham has been insensibly led into magnifying his importance. He claims that he is the author of "two masterpieces," and that he is of supreme significance as a giant whose sinews were unslackened and stature undiminished by the Victorian era. Poor Victorian era! When will its virtues be discovered? What fuss will then be made of them! Even now, looking back, I fancy that I descry in that period many figures of unusual stature.

The truth is that Trelawny is picturesque; an interesting but quite finally *minor* figure in English literature, who wrote one first-rate book of reminiscences and one extravagantly romantic string of wild adventures. In "Recollections of Shelley and Byron" he had a subject of permanent interest; while "The Adventures of a Younger Son" is a mixture of silliness and vigour, blatant rhodomontade and telling descriptions. When compared with "masterpieces" it appears as irredeemably second-rate as a book can be which is nevertheless written by a man of impetuous strong imagination. Mr. Massingham is pursuing a mistaken line. It never helps us to enjoy a book to exaggerate its merits, though exaggeration is of use in drawing attention to it.

### *Tiger-Hunting.*

Let me take a by no means exceptionally heightened passage describing incidents which are not nearly so improbable as many others: Trelawny is tiger-hunting.

> My carbine not being charged, I cast it from me; and, armed with nothing but a long Malayan creese, fierce and fearless, I rushed by a half-grown limping tiger-whelp, whining and gnawing at something, which I passed unheedingly. The elephant was stamping, squealing, and struggling desperately to shake off his enemy. The grisly tiger fell; but within his gripe he held a human victim, bent up, and enveloped in a white cotton garment, such as Zela wore. As I came within a few paces of the tiger, holding his victim down with a paw upon his breast, he glared ferociously at me. While I was rushing in on him, a voice above me, faint and tremulous, said, "Oh, Prophet, guard him!" I heard no more—I was madly striking out my arm, to plunge the weapon in the tiger's throat, while he was in the act of springing on me. The elephant, as if Zela's prayer had been heard, struck the tiger, while his eyes were fixed on me, with his hind foot, sent him reeling many paces, and, ere he could recover, I had plunged my creese up to the hilt in his body. A loud shout, drowning the cries of tiger, elephant, and all others, now burst on my ear, and the Malay chieftain came up, in good time; for so tenacious of life is the tiger that he was still enabled to strike me down with his paw, and as the whelp had come on me, I should have been torn to pieces but for the chieftain's timely aid. He thrust his spear though the whelp, and buried his dagger twenty times in the body of the tiger. . . . My wild and vacant eye fortunately fell on the form of Zela, who was clinging speechless at my feet, or I should have died or gone mad. I endeavoured to raise her, but my strength had left me. I staggered and fell, clasping her, when for a time I was almost insensible. Recovering, I beheld her safe, saw the dead bodies of the tigers, and found all was quiet near us.
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> "What is that?" I asked, pointing to the bundle of white rags which lay close at my feet.
>
> "That, dearest, is the poor mahout—I fear he is dead!"

I shall be surprised if you do not hear in this passage the familiar voice of one of those whose accounts of their own exploits, whether in sport or war or love, fail to arouse in others an astonishment apparently their due; but even more surprised if you admire it as a piece of writing.

### *Autobiography or Fiction?*

Of course, Mr. Massingham is aware of the defects of these Adventures; but, if I may say so, he writes about them as an embarrassed man. He has unfortunately committed himself to treating Trelawny as a great man, and since "The Adventures of a Younger Son" is one of the two pillars which sustain that estimate, he cannot be quite candid about it. He first of all refuses with energy Mr. Brailsford's praise of the book as a work with a unity proper to a work of art; nor will he allow it to be judged at all "as an imaginative romance."

Mr. Massingham is on strong ground when he says the book is "inchoate, and bears no more relation to a perfected work of art than a cinema film to a fresco," and refuses to recognise its unity; but unfortunately he also asserts that "as autobiography 'The Younger Son' is a masterpiece." He explains himself as follows, and I leave the reader to judge if it is not the explanation of an embarrassed or confused man. He wants us to believe what no one who knew Trelawny believed, namely, that he was a truthful man.

> The extraordinary character of the incidents described depends upon the man, not upon the creative ferment of his mind. The whole of his art is summed up in his personal contact with experience, and the immediacy of that contact is his virtue as an artist. Like Dumas, but without his panoramic or inventive powers, he was a purely instinctive writer, and not only was the style the man, but so were the drama and scenario. That, indeed, is the stable argument for the veracity of "The Younger Son," and so for the truthfulness of Trelawny. The answer to his reputation for falsehood is that he could not have been a liar if he had wanted to.

The last statement is simply astounding. Nor does it follow from the fact that Trelawny's book, like every book, is in a sense the result of personal contact with experience, and "depends upon the man." A writer's contact with experience may, however, be so inextricably mixed with his desire to pose and magnify himself, that he has no sense of fact, and bores in the end every reader who tires of laughing at him.

### *Incapable of Truth.*

This is the diagnosis of Trelawny—when he is his own hero. It must be noted that when Mr. Massingham comes to deal with Trelawny's description of Byron's deformity, he can only account for Trelawny's having written that both feet were clubbed and the legs withered to the knee, "the feet and legs of a sylvan satyr," by saying, "the only explanation seems to be that he did not know that he was lying; in other words that he wrote about Byron's feet not as they were, but as he expected to find them." Precisely. Trelawny was the kind of complete liar who, unless, as was here the case, he is sharply brought to book, does not know that he is not telling the truth.

It is all very well for Mr. Massingham to quote, "there is nothing true or false but thinking makes it so," and to add "Trelawny's freedom with evidence was that of many another man—and woman—who report not what they see but think they see," but that is the whole case against him. It is an admission which certainly makes complete nonsense of the assertion that "he could not have been a liar if he had wanted to." Mr. Massingham's defence would cover De Rougemont, who said he rode turtles in the sea, and saw sunsets obscured by flights of wombats. He also compares Trelawny with Borrow, and there is certainly something akin between them; but while Borrow heightened events in his own life like an artist, Trelawny seems to have lost all sense of probability in his desire to appear in his own eyes and those of others a Byronic Corsair.

### *How He Once Came to Tell It.*

How did it happen, then, that such a man has also left us a book which is unrivalled as a truthful picture of Byron and Shelley? The most interesting part of Mr. Massingham's book, though he does not approach the facts from the angle of this question, is that which deals with Trelawny's relations towards Shelley and Byron. In the first place, in "The Reminiscences" Trelawny is not his own hero; his account is therefore free from grandiose and absurd distortions. What apparently happened when Trelawny joined Byron and Shelley at Pisa was this: Trelawny, although his interest and admiration had been excited by reading "Queen Mab," came fresh from his adventures which it had pleased him to see in a "Byronic" light. He was really drawn by the desire to meet Byron.

Byron received him, as he nearly always received strangers, as the nobleman and man of the world. He even, in this case, exaggerated that side of himself, because Trelawny was a walking embodiment of his own romantic heroes and in physical prowess greatly his superior. Byron was exasperated by this "Corsair," and Trelawny was wounded and disgusted by not meeting a "poet." One of the most vivid passages in "The Recollections" is that in which he describes the enormous relief of leaving Byron's cynical and casual company, to enjoy the serious and natural conversation of Shelley. The superb merit of "The Recollections" is due to the fact that, for the time being, Byron knocked the romantic nonsense out of Trelawny by chaff and sarcasm, and at the same time provided a foil to Shelley, who was the poet without disguise and entirely self-forgetful. Humiliation and disappointment sharpened Trelawny's eyes with regard to Byron, while Shelley shone all the more radiant in comparison.

### *Byronic to the End.*

Mr. Massingham traces very well the lasting impression he made upon Trelawny. Where I differ from Mr. Massingham is that he regards Trelawny as "a true disciple of Shelley" thenceforward. It seems to me more accurate to describe him as a true and devoted *admirer*. The facts of Trelawny's later life which Mr. Massingham recounts have a more Byronic than Shelleyan tinge. The old man who, after having cut a dash in London society as a lion and friend of Byron, at a ripe age acts the "Young Lochinvar" towards another man's wife, retires to Wales and dominates the little valley in which he lives, who finally smashes this third marriage by importing a young lady into the house, and then withdraws once more from the world to assault with his bitter tongue all reputations except that of his adored poet, seems to me to resemble much more closely "a disciple" of Byron.

Even his love of "Liberty," which Mr. Massingham stresses seems much closer to Byron's fierce individualism than to Shelley's faith in the perfectibility of mankind. The old Trelawny, with his magnificent health and grand appearance, is certainly a figure worth contemplating, and Mr. Massingham has given us an opportunity of looking at him. But he is one whom to take more seriously than he deserves is to deprive of attraction. What the imagination could do with him as a model, Meredith's description of the Old Buccaneer in the opening chapter of "The Amazing Marriage" shows. The carrying off of "Countess Fanny" by that fierce and picturesque old man is an echo of the scandal of Trelawny's elopement with Lady Grove.

## A VINDICATION OF MACHIAVELLI.

"Machiavelli." Translated from the Italian of Ettore Janni by Marion Enthoven. (Harrap. 12s. 6d.).

This book has a double interest. Its first and most obvious value is its excellence as a narrative of the career and a study of the character of the extraordinary political genius whose name it bears. Probably no man has ever lived regarding whose true nature and whose real objects so many irreconcilable differences of opinion have been expressed as Niccolo Machiavelli, and to say of Signor Janni's book, admirable as it is, that it has spoken the final truth regarding him, and settled the four-hundred-year-old dispute as to whether he was the most shameless eulogist or the most tremendous satirist of political tyranny who ever held a pen, would be a very rash proceeding. A problem whose terms appear to be so simple and so obvious, and which has puzzled the acutest wits of Europe for so long a time, may safely be regarded as insoluble. But Signor Janni, in presenting Machiavelli, not as a liberty-loving Republican but rather as the traditional counsellor of tyrants, is not only perfectly within his right, but succeeds in accomplishing a coherent and vital portrait as likely to be true to life as any other that has been presented.

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# NEW FICTION.

## A SCOTTISH TALE.

"Keith of Kinnellan." By Agnes Muir Mackenzie. (Constable. 7s. 6d.)

"Mr. Buffum." By Hugh de Selincourt. (Ward, Lock. 7s. 6d.)

"The Wooden Woman." By Alexander Townsend. (Heinemann. 7s. 6d.)

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"The Link." By Philip Macdonald. (Collins. 7s. 6d.)

"White Face." By Edgar Wallace. (Hodder and Stoughton. 7s. 6d.)

Reviewed by RALPH STRAUS.

Three years ago Miss Muir Mackenzie published a novel called "Lost Kinnellan." It deserved to be judged by high standards, and was so judged. It would seem, however, that the critics found it incomplete, and Miss Mackenzie obviously acquiesced in their verdict. She wrote a sequel called "The Falling Wind." Ordinarily this would have appeared by itself; but both stories are short, and as the second begins precisely where the first leaves off, the publishers very wisely now issue the two within the same covers. So in "Keith of Kinnellan" you have the complete story—the first half a reprint, the second wholly new.

The wisest men can make mistakes where their wives are concerned. Gilbert Keith is a small laird in Kincardineshire, and, like most of his kind, an extremely proud man. Not, in the ordinary way, a man to make mistakes. And perhaps his wife, Bertha, would not have been a very dreadful mistake, had not his cousin Anne come to live at Kinnellan. Bertha is a good sort, if not his social equal, but he has never been in love with her, and he falls in love with Anne. Unluckily for him, the village schoolmistress has for some time been attempting unsuccessfully to vamp him, and a few malevolent words from her bring tragedy in their trail. In the presence of Anne and her husband, Bertha pitifully hurls accusations against them. At the time all three of them are near to the edge of a cliff. In her excitement, Bertha rushes at Keith. He puts out an arm, and she falls to her death. An accident? Keith cannot wholly convince himself that it is. To add to his troubles, Anne is to bear him a child.

Miss Mackenzie, you see, dares to revive a "situation" almost as old as the Scottish hills which she can describe so well. But there is a pretty little problem to come. Keith, of course, knows his duty, but when he has made Anne his wife, how can he take her back to a wholly scandalised village? On the other hand, how can he give up his much-beloved Kinnellan? I am not wholly convinced that either Keith or his second wife need have been quite so sensitive as Miss Mackenzie makes them out to be, but the reader will probably not be dissatisfied with the course which their romance is made to take. There is, indeed, some really fine work in this book, and I imagine that it will have a success.

### THE INNOCENT UNCLE.

"Mr. Buffum" is good fun. He is a retired man of business who lives in a Sussex village. He is a bachelor of 50, and an incurable sentimentalist. He is also what I feel sure his neighbours would call a model of respectability. Fortunately he has a niece who belongs to the moderns, and this niece introduces him to the larger world where not everybody is quite as innocent as he. And under her ægis he buys an expensive car (though chiefly for the delectation of his gardener's small boy), gambles at Monte Carlo, dances and gives a party, and escapes marriage by the skin of his teeth.

Mr. de Selincourt has no particular story to tell. He is content to introduce you to Mr. Buffum and his niece and his niece's boy-friends and the disgracefully familiar infant in the garden, and leaves you to enjoy yourself in their company. This is not difficult. The book is an amusing trifle, and my only quarrel with its author concerns Mr. Buffum's personal appearance. He ought to have resembled the Albert Hall; at least: Mr. de Selincourt has the temerity to declare that he is tall and slim. I decline to believe him. The man should weigh seventeen stone or more.

### A SILLY BUSINESS.

Presumably "The Wooden Woman" is its author's first attempt at fiction. It is an experiment in fantasy which, in my opinion, completely fails to come off. The writing is virile and good, but I found the story itself—Mr. Townsend calls it a seapiece—stupid and boring. The crew of a forty-year-old sailing ship are the descendants of its original crew, and for some curious reason they are called on to re-enact, with only the slightest variations, the bloodthirsty drama of the ship's initial voyage. Most of them are killed off in more or less nightmarish ways. If I missed the author's meaning, I apologise to him, but, to be candid, I found no reason at all why such a trivial business should ever have been committed to print.

### A YOUNG GIRL'S NOVEL.

Miss Macandrew is not yet in her twenties. Her first novel, "Down to the Sea," lacks background, but has an interesting story to tell. A point in its favour is the ease of its dialogue. Most of the characters are very young and not too sure of themselves. Leone falls in love at first sight with Trevor, and he, apparently, with her; but his crooked smile gives him away, and when we learn that he had once been in love with the beautiful Delia, who is determined to retain him for her own, we fear the worst. There is a charming American with millions of money, and he might well have been allowed to make Leone his wife; but Miss Macandrew is a little hard on her heroine, and sternly says no. But perhaps we may hear more of Leone in the future.

### TWO THRILLERS.

"The Link" follows hard on the heels of the same author's "The Noose," and I must say that I found both stories equally exciting. Mr. Macdonald not only has his own methods as a mystery-monger, but writes in the most attractive way. And here is Colonel Anthony Gethryn once again on a murderer's tracks, though this time the story is told by one of those who are suspected of the crime. I found myself as completely befogged as this Mr. Lawless, but knowing my Gethryn, waited in patience, and was rewarded by a first-class yarn.

Finally there is a brand new Edgar Wallace story. Years ago I wrote: "It is impossible not to be thrilled by Edgar Wallace," and although to-day I might be minded to insert an "almost" before the "impossible," the words may well be allowed to stand. "White Face" is not perhaps the most cunning of his stories—I found his chronology a little confused—but its detectives are as entrancing (and doubtless as authentic) as its criminals, and it is not without its crash of surprise in the penultimate chapter. I gulped it down.

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**Reviewed by J. M. BULLOCH.**

It is extraordinarily interesting to watch how different people and different nations react to an environment different from that into which they have been born. Henry Drummond once said that the great function of environment is not to modify but to sustain; and that certainly expresses its effect on the average Englishman, who remains extraordinarily—to some foreign observers ludicrously—himself, wherever he goes, botn in body and in mind. It is certainly not usual for him to be affected so profoundly by his environment, even after long years of residence, as Major Francis Yeats-Brown was with his spell of soldiering in India. Certainly very few cavalry officers have learned to write, much less feel, as sensitively as he does, as readers of the *Spectator*, which is edited by his cousin, Mr. Wrench, have come to know.

**The Indian Scene.**

From the moment he set foot in India, he was conscious of a new atmosphere. Waited on hand and foot, he acquired a sense of isolation, "of being a caged white monkey in a Zoo whose patrons were this incredibly numerous beige race":—

> I shivered at the millions and immensities and secrecies of India. I liked to finish my day at the club in a world whose limits were known. Outside people prayed and plotted and mated and died on a scale unimaginable and uncomfortable. We English were a caste. White overlords or white monkeys—it was all the same. The Brahmins made a circle within which they cooked their food. So did we. We were a caste; pariahs to them, princes in our own estimation.

Keen on his soldiering, he ultimately served in France during the Great War, in Mesopotamia, and was kept captive by the Turks for two years—"prisoners see war without its glamour," he says; he was also an enthusiast in pig-sticking and polo: but all the time he was intent on getting into the soul of the Indian scene.

> I had been living in a smug mental sanctuary where unpleasantness was veiled in aphorisms. We all lived like that in England, where the seasons are beautiful. Here in High Asia we were close to realities. . . . I was shocked, not by Hinduism, but by our missionaries, who forgot the peccadilloes of Noah and other patriarchs when comparing our sacred books with those of India. Their unfairness inclined me towards Theosophy. . . . Infinitely subtle movements slid into my soul and spoke to me of times long past. . . . Somewhere in space these spells survive, for their delight is deathless.

When at last, after the war, he threw off all his "gear as a soldier," it was not only because his regiment, the 17th Bengal Cavalry, had been abolished in the name of economy with other silladar cavalry regiments, but because his mind had become attuned to features of the true Indian scene, which is not interested in any of these things, and he had become aware of something in Vedic mysticism, which he appreciates with a rare reasonableness in his very unusual book.

**Always an Irishman.**

In striking contrast to the attitude of "Y.-B.," who looks back on India with almost Indian eyes, is the position of the Irishman who remains Irish to the marrow whatever his environment. You find the flamboyant side of this individuality running through all the varied experiences of Michael Kelly, the Irish operatic tenor, whether in Italy, Vienna, or London. There was even more of that in his "Reminiscences," really written by Theodore Hook in 1826, for Mr. Ellis has supplemented this book in an encyclopædic fashion, making it the basis of a survey of the theatrical life of the period, and he will continue the process in telling the story of Michael Kelly's niece, Frances Maria Kelly (1790-1882), the actress to whom Charles Lamb proposed marriage. An astonishing amount of information has been put into this book, but it does not blur the theatrical flamboyance of this broth of a boy, who reminds you of a character from Lover and Lever, before the new Irish theatre took to grim playboys of the Western world.

**"Father O'Flynn's" Creator.**

Similarly, though Mr. A. P. Graves has lived sixty-one years on this side of St. George's Channel, he remains the complete Irishman, so that he devotes almost half the book to the twenty-three years of his youth in the Green Isle. He, too, belongs largely to the jolly old school, symbolised by "Father O'Flynn," for which he got only 32s., whereas his son Robert is of the dour modern school. That is why his father retorts to "Good-bye to All That," which he says "calls for many more corrections than I can here enumerate," with "To Return to All That."

Mr. Graves spent five-and-thirty years (1875-1910) as a school inspector in Manchester, Huddersfield, Somerset, and London, and has many interesting things to tell us about education and the intelligent people he met in districts where he was stationed; but never once does his environment overshadow Ireland, as you will see at a glance in the bibliography of his books and songs at the end, to say nothing of his association with the Irish Literary Society.

The book is crowded with speaking portraits of a great many people, not forgetting Baptiste Scoones, the famous Civil Service coach—who is not, by the way, in the "D.N.B."—and the von Ranke family, into which Mr. Graves married; while his sense for a good story is irrepressible. His vitality,

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## ART IN ENGLAND.

"Art in England: 1821-1837." By W. T. Whitley. (Cambridge University Press. 25s.)
"English Mediæval Enamels." By M. Chamot. (Benn. 7s. 6d.)
"The Interrelation of the Fine Arts in England in the Early Middle Ages." By M. Dickens Whinney. (Benn. 7s. 6d.)

**Reviewed by FRANK RUTTER.**

Mr. W. T. Whitley, whose exhaustive study of art in England from 1800 to 1820 was so valuable an addition to the student's reference-shelf, has carried his investigations further and presents us with an account of art in England from 1820 to the accession of Queen Victoria. It was a period of considerable importance, for during it the National Gallery was established, and Mr. Whitley gives the fullest description of its origin and early history that has yet appeared. His material includes the hitherto unpublished correspondence between the Government and the executors of John Julius Angerstein, and it is instructive to compare the detailed valuation of the Angerstein pictures made for the Government in 1823 with what we may assume would be their market value to-day.

Sir Thomas Lawrence was the leading figure among the artists of 1820, and Mr. Whitley gives us some interesting details of Eastlake's ever-to-be-regretted failure to secure for the nation Lawrence's famous collection of drawings by Old Masters. Many new particulars are given of the elections of early Academicians and Associates, as also of the foundation of the Royal Society of British Artists; but perhaps Mr. Whitley's most valuable contribution is in connection with Constable. He clearly proves that this great landscape artist was far from neglected by the contemporary press—as some biographers have asserted—and tells for the first time the story (about which Leslie says nothing) of the long and bitter persecution of Constable begun by an anonymous newspaper correspondent in 1830. Punctuated with many amusing anecdotes, Mr. Whitley's second volume is as entertaining and informative as his first.

**Mediæval Enamels.**

While Mr. Whitley is so fruitfully elucidating the history of our art in the early nineteenth century, a band of zealous young scholars, under the able direction of Dr. Tancred Borenius, has been making useful research concerning English Mediæval Art. Two new volumes have been added to the "University College (London) Monographs" on this subject. Five years ago the late H. P. Mitchell conclusively established the English origin of the twelfth century "Master's Plaque," enamelled with a representation of "The Last Judgement," in the Victoria and Albert Museum but while tribute must be paid to his pioneer work, and also that of Starkie Gardner, no comprehensive list of "certainly and probably" English Mediæval Enamels has yet been available to students. The annotated catalogue included in Miss Chamot's monograph supplies this deficiency. Together with the author's well-written introduction and wisely selected illustrations, it provides the student with an array of well-ordered material which will help and encourage further research.

**A Bird's-Eye View.**

An admirable bird's-eye view, as it were, of the whole domain of English art during the early Middle Ages is given by Miss Dickens Whinney in her contribution to this series. The material in any one section may be relatively limited, but taking all artwork together there is a rich variety of English mediæval material. Analysing these various objects by the comparative method, Miss Whinney is able to draw from them some illuminating deductions. For example, by comparing the Prior's Door at Ely with miniatures in the Hildesheim Psalter, she is able to show that there is a definite link between the Ely sculpture and the great school of illumination associated with St. Albans and Bury St. Edmunds. Further, it is probable that the ivory figure of a king in the Dorchester Museum was inspired by the same source. While a "complicated mixture of foreign influences" was present in England as elsewhere, it is clear that in the twelfth century there was great and genuinely indigenous artistic activity in England. Miss Whinney's ably reasoned and most suggestive monograph will be read with pleasure and profit by all who hold dear the prestige and antiquity of art in England.

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which makes him apologise for writing this book at "the comparatively early age of 83"—he was really born in 1846—will make every reader wish him "return to all that" again.

**A Swede Surveys Us.**

Dr. Knut Hagberg has done for us very much what Major Yeats-Brown has done for India. A Swede by birth, he has got into the skin of our environment in a series of shrewd studies on thirteen notable Britons, ranging from Melbourne, Disraeli, John Stuart Mill, and Gladstone to Rhodes, George Wyndham, and Lord Balfour. The full measure of his appreciation may be gauged from the pæan to "Samuel Pickwick," which he regards as "one of the most marvellous books that have ever been written."

> In any possible conflict I should know that I was on the right side if I were to attach myself to those among whom I could imagine Mr. Pickwick amicably associated with a rum punch.

A foreigner who can appreciate the outlook of Pickwick is unusually well qualified to understand England. But it is remarkable how Dr. Hagberg is able to evaluate our great men, whose achievements he can summarise neatly, as when he says that Lord Balfour, "the last of the aristocrats, believed that the Ice Age stands at the door, and was not disturbed." He has written an intensely readable book, though he slips when he describes poor Lionel Johnson as an Englishman.

## A FOUNDER OF OUR FREEDOM.

"Simon de Montfort, Earl of Leicester, 1208-1265." By Charles Bémont. Translated by E. F. Jacob. (Clarendon Press. 15s.)

**Reviewed by PHILIP MORRELL.**

One day in July, in the hot summer of 1258—so Matthew Paris the Chronicler tells us—King Henry III. left his palace at Westminster and embarked on the Thames, intending to have his dinner out of doors, or, as we might say, to have a picnic—the frivolous, light-hearted man!

> Suddenly the sky became overcast, thunder growled, and torrents of rain fell amid flashes of lightning (p. 154).

The King was so much alarmed that he ordered his servants to put in at once to shore, and the boat was brought up in front of the palace of the Bishop of Durham, where Charing Cross station now stands—a house which is still commemorated in the name of Durham House Street. Here it happened that the King's brother-in-law—husband of his sister Eleanor—was lodging; and after the proper salutations the following conversation took place:—

> *Simon de Montfort* (sarcastically): What are you afraid of? The storm has already passed.
> *King Henry III.* (angrily): I am extremely afraid of the thunder and the flashes, but, by God's head, I am more afraid of you than of all the thunder and lightning in the world.
> *Simon* (with dignity): Sir, it is not me, your constant friend . . . that you should fear, but your enemies who live on pillage and falsehood.

How mediæval it all sounds, and how remote! Try and imagine, for example, His gracious Majesty King George V. and the late lamented Duke of Fife, or the Prince of Wales and Lord Harewood talking to one another in this sort of way. You may try, but you will try in vain. The very idea is almost blaspnemous. And yet there are those who say that we have not progressed.

**His Early Years.**

King Henry's fear, one gathers, was not entirely unreasonable. Simon de Montfort, whom Englishmen still venerate, and rightly venerate—so Monsieur Charles Bémont reminds us—as one of the founders of their political freedom, was by birth a Frenchman. He was the son of that Simon de Montfort who, as leader of the Albigensian Crusade, had won for himself "imperishable renown" by his ferocious massacres of the heretics of Provence and his ruthless devastation of their lands. His wife is described as a vigorous and active woman "who took a most energetic share in the Albigensian war." In his childhood—so the author of this book thinks—Simon must have received a lively impression of the tragic events in which his parents played the leading part, "and he inherited their crude virtues."

**His Marriage.**

After his father's death, when he himself was just 24, he determined to take service with the King of England, and to obtain, if he could, the Earldom of Leicester and the Stewardship of the Kingdom, to both of which great offices his father had unsuccessfully laid claim—basing his claim on some alleged grant to a maternal ancestor at the time of the Conquest. So the young man arrived with his train of knights and his great ambitions, and was cordially welcomed by the King, who had a liking, it was said, for "aliens," and who at last granted to Simon, though not without difficulty, both his desires. And also a third, which was perhaps the most important of them all. Eleanor, the daughter of King John "Lackland," had already been married in early youth to the great Earl of Pembroke, but he had died, leaving her a young and childless widow, who was so far from contemplating another marriage that she had taken solemn vows of chastity before the Archbishop, and wore the ring that united her for ever to the mystic bridegroom Christ. Simon, however, fell in love with her. Twice already, so we are told (p. 55), he had "explored the possibility of marriage" with a rich heiress abroad, and twice had been disappointed. But now his persistence was rewarded. Eleanor is described as being—in spite of her vow—"an attractive flirt," and Simon was no doubt both attractive and attractable. It was said that he seduced her—a statement which his biographer regards as not improbable—and that the marriage was hurried on to avoid a scandal. At any rate it was kept secret, which caused much annoyance to the Barons, the heroes of the Magna Charta, who were thus deprived of a great festivity; and the bride was given to her husband without a dowry.

**A Difficult People.**

So began that famous career, which came to an end twenty-seven years afterwards—in 1265—on the field of Evesham. From being Henry's friend and chief supporter, Simon gradually became his most resolute opponent, the leader of the Barons' party, and for more than a year—anticipating Cromwell—was Protector of the realm. It was then that he instituted what we were once taught to regard as a mighty constitutional change, by summoning not only two knights from every county but two citizens from every borough to attend his Parliament. But Simon, for all his courage, did not find the management of his adopted country an easy affair.

> "I have seen many peoples and countries," he exclaimed, near the end of his life, "but never yet have I seen a nation so fickle and forsworn as the people of England."

Monsieur Bémont's biography was first published in French, forty-six years ago, and is now out of print. The present edition, which is very largely a new work, has been well translated by Mr. E. F. Jacob.

Altogether a very interesting book, solid, perhaps, rather than brilliant, and more suitable for the student than for the general reader; but a book that contrives to give you a real sense of the atmosphere of that strangely troubled time.

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**Reviewed by CRAWFURD PRICE.**

Some of us remember poignant hours during the Lausanne Conference when news reached the Delegations that the Greek Government of the day had decided upon the summary execution of a group of rival politicians known as "King Constantine's Ministers." Despite the feverish intervention of the British Delegation and the presence in Lausanne of M. Venizelos, Messrs. Gounaris, Baltazis, and their colleagues were taken out and shot in revenge for the disaster in Asia Minor. Of the principal scapegoats only Prince Andrew, brother of King Constantine and the husband of an English princess, was permitted to escape, and he fled from Greece in a British man-of-war.

In this volume Prince Andrew sets forth his answer to the indictment that, as commander of the II. Army Corps, he had abandoned a position without orders, that he was indisciplined, and, in short, responsible for the failure of the advance on Angora, which, although intended to encompass the destruction of the Turkish legions, actually sounded the knell of Hellenic aspirations in Asia Minor. The military story is well told, and, while the Prince makes no bones about having advised his superiors to alter their plans (indeed, he rather forced the pace), he justifies his action in depicting the Greek G.H.Q. as a collection of blithering idiots, the C.-in-C. "ignorant of the science of war," the Sub-Chief of Staff "leading everybody astray," and all controlled by "unwarranted optimism and inexperience."

**Effects of Political Intrigue.**

To judge by this record, it is impossible to believe that the last Government of King Constantine could have achieved the conquest of Anatolia, even had the dice not been loaded against it. But the dice were very heavily loaded, and when we have finished with the narrative of the military débâcle the tale has only half been told. The other half concerns the nefarious effects of political intrigue within and without the Hellenic camp.

Of intrigue within, Prince Andrew naturally has much to say. Venizelos had dismissed 2,000 Royalist officers, whom the Royalists, in their turn, brought back. But they did not dismiss a similar number of Venizelists, and the scramble for jobs thus became acute. The failures of the campaign were, states the author, deliberately thrown upon the reinstated officers, and through them on the party in power; subversive propaganda was carried on throughout the army; political divisions were fanned and kept alive. Finally, the military politicians brought about the collapse of the Greek morale and the downfall of King Constantine.

**Greece and the Powers.**

Little is written in this volume of the intrigues without, but, apart from the stupidity of the staff and the childish optimism of Gounaris and Theotoki, it is only fair to add that Greece was badly let down by the Great Powers. She was pushed into Asia Minor by Britain and France, called to a halt at the moment when victory seemed within easy grasp, in turn encouraged to advance, advised to arbitrate and promised help if she won the day. She fought with a ragged, war-worn army bereft of essential supplies that the Allies could have given, but did not. When King Constantine returned Britain became lukewarm and France openly hostile. Perhaps if the Venizelists had won the election of 1920 Hellas would not have been left in the lurch; yet I doubt it, for France was already currying favour at Angora, seeking thereby to checkmate British policy in the Near East. The Greeks may have made a mess of things themselves, but they certainly did not get a square deal.

## TWO BOOKS ON RUSSIA.

**"Agricultural Russia on the Eve of Revolution." By George H. Pavlovsky. (Routledge. 15s.)**

**"Seeing Red." By Negley Farson. (Eyre and Spottiswoode. 15s.)**

Mr. Pavlovsky's book on Agricultural Russia is written on a perfection of plan and with a thoroughness of method which inspire confidence in the views it expresses. Starting with a careful survey of the different capacities of the immense varieties of soil and climate inevitable to so huge a territory as European Russia, it traces, rapidly and clearly, the historical development of Russian agriculture up to the moment of the outbreak of the Revolution in whose throes the country is still involved. Mr. Pavlovsky refrains from prophecy, but his summary of the effects of Soviet legislation on Russian agriculture is strongly condemnatory, and the reader is left with the impression that it is possible that the most indispensable of all Russian industries may not yet have seen its worst days.

Mr. Negley Farson, who is an American and, it is to be conjectured from his rather slapdash but effective style, an American journalist, has produced a very interesting book. The words which best describe working-class Russia—the subject of his book—as he sees it are "squalor" and "hopefulness." A great many of his pages make very painful reading, but when the book is laid aside the abiding impression is one of hearty admiration for the cheerful courage with which the poor Russian, townsman and peasant alike, faces the present and prospective troubles of his hard life. Mr. Farson has an enthusiastic and outspoken liking and admiration for the members of what he calls "The New Priesthood of Russia," by which he means the brotherhood—far less numerous than is generally believed in the West—of the Communists. "Seeing Red" is a book which should not be missed.

## THE ENGLISH NOVEL.

**"The English Novel from the Earliest Days to the Death of Joseph Conrad." By Ford Madox Ford. (Constable. 5s.)**

**Reviewed by DILYS POWELL.**

Two or three years ago the audience at the Clark lectures in Cambridge might have heard Mr. E. M. Forster mildly insisting on regarding the whole army of English novelists "not as floating down that stream which bears all its sons away unless they are careful, but as seated together in a room, a circular room, a sort of British Museum reading-room—all writing their novels simultaneously." Mr. Forster would have nothing to do with tradition; the novel, he said, was "likely to develop on different lines from the British constitution," and in any case he was not disposed for an hour with the spirit of Chronology. Mr. Ford Madox Ford, on the other hand, insists, not at all mildly, on the pursuit of tradition. He is exasperated by the want of inter-relation between English novelists:—

> Any sort of English writer takes any sort of pen and on any sort of paper with in his hand whatever sort of vine leaves you will and at his elbow any nectar from metheglin to Chateau Yquem or pale ale, writes any sort of story in any sort of method—or in any sort of mixture of any half-dozen methods.

But he is determined to find some kind of pattern in the history of the English novel; hence this subversive, truculent, and really very valuable little book.

Mr. Ford begins quite rightly by inquiring why people nowadays give the novel serious attention, and concludes that fiction is "the only source to which you can turn to ascertain how your fellows spend their entire lives"; that, in fact, in a society which no longer permits the intimate observation of a neighbour's career from birth to death the novel supplies "that cloud of human instances without which the soul feels unsafe in its adventures." If this is true, then the novelist's aim must be to convince the reader of the truth of his story, and the reader can ask nothing better than to be transported into a realm where disbelief is suspended; and so we find Mr. Ford emphasising the attempts of writers, from the seventeenth century to Joseph Conrad, to find a satisfactory convention.

**The Novel at School.**

He shows us Defoe with his fictitious documents, Bunyan with his transfiguration of familiar things, Richardson with his prodigious letters. He runs scathingly through the names of nineteenth century novelists who, with one or two great exceptions, he accuses of incurable gentlemanliness, and points to the main stream of the novel, which had begun with Richardson, betaking itself across the Channel. In France the novel learnt a great deal—from Diderot, from Stendhal, from Flaubert. It learnt that villains need not be all black, and that it was easier to believe in a heroine not all pink. It learnt that the author must not be for ever putting in his nose and reminding the reader that "his own heart was in its right place." It learnt the doctrine of the novelist as an aloof Creator. Then it came back to England and gave us, among others, Joseph Conrad.

Mr. Ford says roundly that he considers Marryat "the greatest of English novelists," and Mark Twain "one of the greate prose-writers the English language has produced"; it will be seen that "The English Novel" is not a soporific book.

## A GOOD HOLIDAY BOOK.

**"H.M.I.'s Notebook." By E. M. Sneyd-Kynnersley. (The Bodley Head. 7s. 6d.)**

Books made up of scattered reminiscences pretty generally fall into one of two categories; they are, as a rule, either very entertaining or atrociously dull. This volume from the pen of Mr. Sneyd-Kynnersley takes triumphant honours in the first-named class. "Thick as dust in vacant chambers" are the bits of humour, the quaint quips and retorts, the thumb-nail sketches of odd characters, the fragments of scholarship, the good stories, scattered through its pages. Here is a specimen, taken quite at random. A military officer who desired for some reason or other, to take a university degree was, rather reluctantly, accepted as a student at a certain college:—

> At the end of his first year the favoured man wrote that he had joined the Catholic Church, and it would be impossible for him to return after the Long Vacation. The outraged President retorted, "You have not only imperilled your immortal soul, but have behaved in a very ungentlemanly manner to the College."

## NEW YORK TYPES.

**"Color of a Great City." By Theodore Dreiser. (Constable. 10s.)**

Mr. Theodore Dreiser has long been recognised on this side of the Atlantic for a powerful and individual artist, and has so large a number of English admirers waiting for any new volume from his pen that he stands in little need of the recommendation of any individual critic. And that simplifies in a very welcome manner the task of a writer whose business it is to speak of this particular book, made up as it is of vivid scraps of description of human types and social institutions which, common features of the life of New York as they were only a few years ago, are now rapidly vanishing or altogether gone. The book is made up of brief sketches as memorable as the finished studies of Mr. Dreiser's more pretentious efforts. Things move rapidly in America, and much of Mr Dreiser's human "material" would be sought in vain by the sociologist or the humorist of to-day, but it was very real only a few years ago, and will live long in his pages.

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By J. D. Strange. (Lane. 7s. 6d.)

I am looking forward with very keen interest to the late Dr. Horace Round's "Family Origins and Studies," which Constable will publish this week, for he wielded a most pungent pen, and made family history a very lively subject. In this volume he deals, *inter alia*, with the families of Cavendish, Churchill, Heneage, Mildmay, Neville, Smith-Carrington, Walpole, and Yarborough.

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Some people say we have had too many war books, but we can never have too many books by Mr. Maurice Baring, for everything that he touches has an air of distinction. Hence, many readers are looking forward to his air diaries, "Flying Corps Headquarters, 1914-1918," which Heinemann will issue to-morrow. The great names in the air war, Henderson, Trenchard, Salmond, and many famous aces figure in its pages. Most of us know the beautiful ode he has already written upon Lord Lucas.

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Another war book is a reproduction of the famous magazine, "The Wipers Times," which was edited and printed in the trenches. It is being reproduced by Eveleigh Nash and Grayson, with a preface by Lord Plumer, who rightly praises it as a symbol of the immense cheerfulness of our troops.

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What is the truth about "Abrams' Box"? An answer enthusiastically in favour of it is popularly stated by two English doctors in a book called "The Detection of Disease," which Sampson Low is publishing. Since Abrams died in 1924 little has been heard of the "box," which the authors hold is a misnomer.

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Two books of great economic interest are appearing this week in the shape of Mr. J. A. Hobson's "Rationalisation and Unemployment," and Mr. Edward Bernstein, the veteran International Socialist's "Cromwel' and Communism," which deals specially with John Lilburne and the Levellers, and with the social utopias of Winstanley, "Leviathan" Hobbes, and James Harrington. Both books are coming from Allen and Unwin.

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Another book in a similar category made highly topical by the force of political events is Mr. Stephen Leacock's "Economic Prosperity in the British Empire," which Constable is giving us next week. Most people know Mr. Leacock as a humorist, but professionally he is an economist, and a very keen Protectionist at that.

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When she was in America Miss Naomi Royde-Smith wrote down her impressions of the States for Mr. Roger Hinks, while he wrote back telling her what was going on in London. The correspondence is to be published by Mr. Gollancz under the title of "Trans-Atlantic Letters."

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Many people were puzzled by the linoleum blocks used in Mr. Williamson's recent book on the war. The process of making these blocks is being explained by Mr. Hesketh Hubbard, member of the Society of Graver Printers in Colour, in a book to be published by the Forest Press under the title of "Simple Colour Block Print Making from Linoleum Blocks."

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The extraordinary story of Martha Ray, the mistress of Lord Sandwich, who was murdered by George James Hackman because she declined to marry him, has been told as a novel under the title of "The Chaste Mistress," by Mrs. Hagbert Wright, wife of the brilliant librarian of the London Library, and it will be published by the Bodley Head this week. J. M. B.

## VILLAGE LIFE.

**"The Village Book." By Henry Williamson. (Cape. 7s. 6d.)**

It is of a village in Devon that Mr. Williamson writes, now with the eyes of a naturalist, now as an observer of mankind. An avowed disciple of Richard Jefferies, he has won a name by his impressionist portrayal of beast and bird. Thus the sight of linnets flocking in winter moves him to lyric ecstasy:—

> Is it too fanciful to think that the bird itself is in a like state of spiritual joy? The note falls out of its little throat as it sits with its brethren in the sunlit air of this blessed place. What mean thoughts can a linnet have? It feeds on the seeds of the earth, hovering and fluttering about the dry stalks and ruinous heads of ragwort and thistle, flying from hollow to hollow of waste lands. No thoughts of love yet in their feathered skulls, piping one to another, flock mingling with flock; such excitement of song-talk and gossamer-whisper as they feed, and being fed, do rest side by side, ever watching the sky for hawk or sedge-owl.

That conjures up the scene; and he has many passages as vivid. But when we come to the human life of the village he attracts us less. His gaze is almost exclusively upon the seamy side, and the public-house atmosphere may be said to cloud his vision. If a village has nothing more fragrant than Mr. Williamson appears to find, who would choose to live in one? Even the wit of his rustics limps in fetters. There are, it is clear, villages and villages, and each observer makes his own. But the author does possess "the scorn of scorn." His chapter on digging out a badger ought to knock several nails into the coffin of that abominable "sport."


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# GERMANY REVISITED.

## THIRTY YEARS AFTER.

### THE NEW GENERATION.

By LAURIE MAGNUS.

I spent a few days in Germany at the end of last month. But I spent a few years in Germany at the end of last century; and it is because of the re-visit, not of the visit, that I venture to put these notes together.

Thirty years in terrestrial reckoning are always a long time, and the thirty years since 1900, when I quitted my journalist's job in Germany, have been particularly long in the history of that country. Indeed, adding thirty to thirty, it would be difficult to find two consecutive generations so full of gain and loss as 1870-1930. In 1871 Prussia won a war and dictated peace at Versailles. In 1930 the victorious Frenchman finally released German soil twelve years after a French peace had been dictated at the same spot. In 1871 the German princes proclaimed an Emperor; in 1918 the Emperor fled from Germany.

Note, too, that he was the third Emperor. German history falls into cycles of thirty years. Born in 1858, Wilhelm was 30 years old when he acceded in the Three-Emperor year: the year of the *greise* Kaiser from January to March, of the *weise* Kaiser from March to June, and of the *Reise* Kaiser from mid-June onwards. His adventure lasted for another thirty years, till at last, in November, 1918, he went out as a fugitive from his stricken country. It used to be said in those adventurous German 'nineties, which Bismarck watched so resentfully in retirement, and in which Sudermann and Hauptmann were sowing wild oats on Parnassus, that Germany had skipped a generation in the ninety-nine days of the Emperor Frederick's reign. But it was the next generation which was wiped out. It was the children born in those nineties whom Frederick's fate sent to war. And it is a new generation, growing up with no Emperor at all, which makes a spectacle of the *schloss* in Berlin.

#### A TABU LIFTED.

This sharp contrast with Imperial Germany, though a small thing in itself, acquires the significance of a symbol. A *tabu* has suddenly been lifted. In the place of the purple, and the guards, and the awe, and the officers, and the mystery, and an occasional glimpse of the Monarch by God's grace standing mightily at his window, and acknowledging, while he disdained, the "hochs" and huzzas of the mob, there are bare floors, and felt slippers, and show rooms, and blear-eyed guides: "This was the table given to him by Queen Victoria, on which he signed the mobilisation orders in 1914"; "This is the portrait of his first wife, a very good woman"; "This is the way along which he rode into the courtyard." Another Cæsar turned to dust, but decomposed in his very lifetime, and no more worth than to stop a bung-hole!

#### THE DERELICT PALACE—ITS LESSON.

No doubt they do well to show it. They have been showing it since 1922, and hundreds of thousands of little Germans have learned the lesson of that derelict palace. It is a lesson which has spread through all the land, and it has taught a better sense of values, a more manly responsibility, a finer courtesy, and even a broader chivalry than that of former times. For men and women now work and play together, as was never the rule before, and as must delight, one imagines, the shade of the English princess who was a German feminist before the right time. And if a *revenant* from the shattered Empire is able to compose himself more readily to the decorous quiet of the Mausoleum at Potsdam than to the artificial silence of those felt slippers in the Berlin *schloss*, and if he smiles at the "Avenue of Victory" debouching into "Republic Square," still he recognises that as the gain was turned to loss, so what has been lost is being turned to gain.

#### "NOT THAT KAISER."

"Do you suffer at all from *Kaiser-Mangel* (want of Kaiser)?" I ventured to ask an old friend re-found. "Not *that* Kaiser," came the swift reply, but yet a Kaiser brought from somewhere in some time to come. For "we are a monarchical people," he reminded me, and he added that Germany is still a *Reich*, and that Hindenburg rules it. He proves himself a fit successor to the Hohenzollern whom he served: as grey in counsel as the other was green, and as stable as he was adventurous. The Hindenburg line is as firm in peace as it was formidable in war. The old Marshal has drawn it fast between his country and revolution, between his country and the many temptations which have assailed his fixed resolve to prefer Germany *über alles*—even above the rest which is his due.

#### OPEN-AIR ACTIVITY.

Germany is adapting herself to the new conditions. I think she is a happier country than she was, despite the rush and tumble in her cities and the ceaseless traffic of cars and cycles on her countryside. To the visitor with a memory there is much less regimentation, and consequently less irritation. Not all one's own way is always *verboten*. The policeman will direct you with care and trouble, even though, like myself in Berlin, you may be looking for streets that are no more; officials in post-offices and elsewhere have become civil servants without losing their official competence, and there is an immense development of open-air activity. Driving through the country, at every lake and stream you see crowds which would delight Mr. Lansbury by the scantiness of their attire and the vigour of their stroke, and big swimming-baths and sun-baths are indispensable features in town-planning. True, the best results are not seen in Berlin: at least, not in its cosmopolitan centre, where, as the clown said at the Wintergarten the other night, it is strange to find someone who speaks German. But beyond that radius, and in Dresden and in other cities, there is a cheerful, wholesome, tranquil throng of straight-backed, bright-eyed young men and women who hardly recall the war, and do not remember much before it.

#### PROBLEMS OF THE FUTURE.

What they are going to make of the new Germany I cannot tell. My visit was too short and observation was too much mixed with recollection. I was told of debts and over-borrowing, of municipal extravagance, and of an eagerness to launch out on too big a scale. There is the present problem of unemployment and the future problem of Hindenburg's successor. But, mentally and physically, the German seemed to me a different man from what he was thirty years ago. He seems to have caught up, by hard and bitter steps, some of the experience which his fathers missed. Perhaps it is true that his docility made him militarist, and that now it is making him pacific, and that it may make him militarist again. Perhaps, as one critic said to me, he is more thorough than efficient, and does not know when to stop. But at least the change is remarkable and reassuring, and the friendly, even intimate, atmosphere is difficult to resist.

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It will be an ill day when the great Conservative Party is replaced by some jerry-built improvisation, or made the appendage of some outside interest, financial or industrial.—*Right Hon. L. S. Amery, M.P.*

There can be no learning without an element of drudgery. It still remains the truth that learning must always involve a severe intellectual discipline and a cheerful acceptance of arduous work.—*Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University.*

I beg of the children of our blood to write and to preserve the writing of English, because, after all, however beautiful in American ears the American language may be, we are English, we speak the English language, or try to, and let us write it.—*Rt. Hon. Stanley Baldwin, M.P.*

# IRISH FREE STATE

## EMPIRE FREE TRADE.

### SENATE'S DEBATE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

DUBLIN, Saturday.

After one day's sitting next week, when the Dail will meet to consider Senate amendments to pending measures, Parliament will adjourn for four months. Most of our legislators are men with occupations, to whom a recess means no holiday but a return to drudgery from which the Session has afforded welcome variety and relief. With Ministers it is different. Their work is sedentary and worrying, their life a constant strain, and, if only to escape the annoyance of constant surveillance, nobody will grudge them the relief and change of scene so many of them seek abroad. At the moment the President is taking a holiday in Galway, which he badly needs after his recent indisposition, and where his young family can learn their native tongue among an Irish-speaking population.

The last sitting of the Senate was enlivened by two motions of a very different kind. One was by Colonel Maurice Moore, of Irish Volunteer fame, and concerned the activities of a body known as the Irish Industrial Trust. The company, according to its original prospectus, was promoted to afford to home industry the long-term finance that joint stock banks cannot be expected, and which private investors in Ireland seem reluctant, to provide. Its capital of about £150,000 was subscribed in, roughly, three equal parts, by the Government, the banks, and the public, many of the last being American citizens. Its history has been unfortunate. The last report shows it has lost, roughly, half its share capital in the depreciation of investments, and the extent to which it has done this in the discharge of its early purpose is obscure. The colonel's object was to test this by securing the publication of the concern's investments—a practice most reputable trust companies adopt—but the Minister for Finance did not appear, and the Senate, taking the tip, thought it better to let sleeping dogs lie.

#### SINN FEIN'S ATTITUDE.

The other motion, of a less domestic character, was one proposed by Senator Dr. Gogarty in favour of Empire Free Trade, under the euphemism of "developing home industries through a co-ordinate policy of inter-Commonwealth trade." The debate was frank and spontaneous. There appeared to be no *mot d'ordre* among the Government supporters, and in consequence a glimpse was offered of lines of cleavage which may consolidate at some future time. The Republicans, Senator Johnson—a Labour veteran—and Senator Milroy, the unofficial Government spokesman in the House, beat the drum of full-blooded Protection. In different strength and forms of language they suggested that the recent move of the "paper lords" was only a device of Great Britain to escape from a dangerous position—even ruin, according to Senator Connolly—and inasmuch as Ireland had been hoodwinked and exploited so often in the past, she should now be alert and resist any entanglement. Senator Johnson even feared that an economic bond might lead to military and political alliances which would culminate in war. It was rather the *reductio ad absurdum* of the doctrine of Sinn Fein—"Ourselves alone."

#### A BUSINESS MAN'S VIEW.

Senator O'Farrell, from the Labour benches, spoke with a balance and moderation which indicates that Labour are not of one mind on the issue. The most refreshing and convincing speech came from Senator McLoughlin, a Government stalwart, who, on occasions, provides the high explosive in party warfare. On this occasion he spoke as a convincing business man whose particular business, that of shirt-making, has been affected by our tariff policy. He said that he would willingly give up the 15 per cent. duty he now enjoys on the home market of under three million people for a preference over foreign competitors in the markets of England and other States of the Commonwealth. This is good sense, and, coming from a staunch Nationalist, it was a bitter pill to the Republicans. In the same way the farmer representatives would willingly grant tariff concessions in order to secure effective preference for Commonwealth food in Great Britain.

The Minister for Industry and Commerce replied for the Government in a speech which was both logical and refreshing at the end of a weary four hours' debate. He dismissed the notion of economic isolation as one that would be disastrous, and he even suggested we had already gone as far as was wise along the path of protection. By placing duties on 50 per cent. of our imports, and these the more easily tariffed, we had increased visible employment by some 16,000. He admitted this had been done at the cost of increased prices in boots and wearing apparel, and he wisely refrained from making any reference to the invisible unemployment or lowering of rural standards that the enhanced costs had produced.

He went on to argue that if we are to escape isolation, we must be prepared when the time comes to join one of the three *blocs*—European, American, or Commonwealth—and our existing trade connections really gave us no choice. It was the intention of the Government to go to the Imperial Conference with an open mind, prepared to make as good a bargain as possible, realising above all that the slate was not clean, and that there must be on all sides a spirit of give and take.

# ACROSTICS.

**DOUBLE ACROSTIC No. 1,329.**
(*The Sixth of the Quarter.*)

An Eastern father, say, or Eastern brother,
It matters not a bit which you select;
Two words, the anagrams of one another,
Will furnish a nomenclature correct.

1. To find the ass you must transform a fruit.
2. Result confused provides a sound to suit.
3. From periodical a Jew we frame.
4. That which is fettered mix, and mammal name.
5. Thing change with care, and darkness can be found.
6. An overcoat—constriction twisted round.
7. This river fashion from a reddish shade.
8. A metal out of mental power made. SILEX.

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**DOUBLE ACROSTIC No. 1,328 AND ANSWER.**

Were you at Lord's, and did you see
Somebody's hundred and seventy-three?

1. Volucrine, human, airy, marine,
   Different kinds of things can be seen.
2. If numerals first and last were here,
   Everything would be perfectly clear.
3. Capital easily divined,
   And most of the word is good we find.
4. Quarter to foes we may concede,
   But only half of it now we need.
5. Read it from right to left, and know
   What ended a very few days ago.
6. Singed was his beard, as stories tell,
   And now he has lost a lip as well. PAX.

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NOTES.—Light 1, Sea-birds, people diving, adjective. 2. Lucid; L, D, Roman numerals. 3. Is bon; bon good. 4. Half of a quarter. 5. June, reversed. 6. Philip of Spain Drake.

Acrostic No. 1,327 (*Cornstalks*).—Answers were received from 221 solvers, of whom 158 scored full marks.

MOR.—You do not explain, and the A.E. does not see how either of your answers fits the light.

BILLY.—"Senselessness" gives point to the last two words of the couplet, and is a more exact answer to the first sentence.

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# OUR PARIS LETTER

## M. TARDIEU'S WARNING

### CINEMA v. THEATRE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

M. Tardieu continues to command the admiration of friends and foes alike by his wit, his iron strength, and his unfailing optimism. He is governing with an unstable majority which few Premiers would regard as sufficient backing for authority, but he is firmly pursuing his own policy without the least hesitation. No one knows better than he that crafty and experienced politicians on the Left are doing their utmost to bring about his fall, but he goes serenely on; calm, smiling, and apparently undisturbed. The President of the Council is still the Captain Tardieu whose skill and courage won him honours on the battlefield, and he has shown his opponents that they may still expect the same steadiness and courage in the political arena.

During a debate in the Senate the other day, when he narrowly escaped defeat—for the Upper House is invariably inclined towards the Left—M. Tardieu again showed his fighting spirit. He had been advised by some of his friends not to attend this particular debate, so that there would be no question of a vote of confidence. But he did attend it, and when he mounted the tribune he began by telling the assembly that he had been advised to be absent, and to leave a member of his Cabinet to reply to the Left attack. "But this is not my manner," he said. "When there is a battle in prospect the head of the Government will be in his place at the head of his forces. Messieurs, you may in a few minutes overthrow me, but I will never be overthrown without a fight."

All M. Tardieu's opponents know that he was simply speaking the truth, for, had he not been a born fighter, we should have had several Cabinet crises within the past few months.

#### DOOM OF THE THEATRE.

M. Louis Verneuil might be expected to be very pleased with the theatre, for he has scored some of the greatest stage successes in Paris as producer and owner of the Théâtre Edouard VII. with such stars as Lucien and Sacha Guitry and Yvonne Printemps. But he is very pessimistic about the future of the legitimate stage. In his view it is doomed to extinction owing to the growing popularity of films, and especially of talking films. "Those who believe that the talking film can never replace real drama are going counter to all evidence," he says. He predicts that within three years Paris, which has now nearly fifty legitimate theatres, will have not more than ten. His own theatre is shortly to be sold for conversion into a cinema hall.

One of the reasons why, in his view, the talking film must oust the legitimate drama is that while actors and actresses can only give, say, two performances a day at most, the talking film play may be presented six or seven times a day—and it is usually presented to full houses. We are advancing toward an epoch when picture halls will be open for twenty hours out of the daily twenty-four, producing such a financial return that their owners will be able to offer the public comfort and other advantages with which ordinary theatres could not hope to compete. M. Verneuil reveals that the most popular stage piece in Paris now yields a profit of only two hundred and forty pounds a week, while one of the large picture halls here has a turnover of about five thousand six hundred pounds a week.

#### THE LONG SKIRT FASHION.

It is popularly supposed by mere men that women always obey without question the dictates of the fashion kings. But the fashion kings, or, at any rate, some of them, are complaining that this year women are proving very obstinate. Long skirts have been decreed, but it is proving difficult to get women to adopt them except for evening wear. They have appeared at the fashionable race meetings, of course, but they were being worn mostly by mannequins, while other women adhered to the more convenient style of short skirts. A prominent dressmaker here, discussing the subject, admitted that in the case of long skirts the designers had been defeated by woman's own taste, and that the attempt to make too drastic a change was proving a failure.

Perhaps women have listened to the words of M. Marcel Prévost, who recently warned them that so long as they continued to flirt with fashion in the way they have done they would never convince men that there was mental equality between the sexes, since so long as women could not keep their waists in the same place or their skirts the same length for two years in succession they would simply prove to the stronger sex their instability of will and judgment.

#### A CULINARY CENTENARY.

A centenary celebration, which no gourmet should overlook, is due to take place shortly. Last Sunday the centenary of the running of the first train from Paris to Saint Germain was celebrated—seven years in advance. It was when this train first arrived at Saint Germain, in 1837, that "pommes de terre soufflées" were invented, purely by accident. This dish, upon which French chefs particularly pride themselves, had its origin in the late arrival of the train on which Queen Amelie was a passenger. The Queen and her party were to have a lunch which included fried chipped potatoes, which the chef had done to a turn, when he was informed that owing to unforeseen difficulties the train would be late. The chipped potatoes, which could not be cooked any longer without spoiling, were set aside and allowed to cool. But the chef was a resourceful man. When he heard of the train's arrival he had a dish of hot oil into which he flung the already cooked potatoes to warm them up. No one was more surprised than he when instead of taking ordinary chips out of the pan he found crisp golden puffs. An imperfect railway service had given France a new delicacy.

#### M. POINCARE'S NEW TASK.

The only people who have ever caught M. Poincaré idle are his doctors, who during his recent sickness forbade him to do any kind of work whatever. He was a most difficult patient in this respect, for he wanted to study official reports and accounts of what was happening in Parliament long before he was strong enough to do so. He has announced that for three years at any rate he will take no active part in political life, but all those who know the former President of the Republic must have expected that he would engage in other activities. He has been elected a member of the Bar Council, which means that next year he will realise his highest ambition—that of being made "Batonnier," or head of the Paris Bar.

M. Poincaré is an Academician, and, as might be expected, he takes his duties as a member of the Immortal Forty very seriously. The Academicians are still working on the compilation of a French Dictionary, and after years of labour have reached the letter O. At the last session the word "ouvrier" came up for discussion. This, of course, is usually translated as "workman," but the Academy must have a finer definition. M. Poincaré has been selected by his fellow Academicians to write this definition. It is not an easy task, but for this sole reason he will enjoy it.

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There are at the present time 400,000 mental defectives in this country, and we are breeding imbeciles and idiots every day.—*Mr. Justice McCardie.*

It is exceedingly unfortunate that the view of a wife should be forced on a husband who does not entertain the same view, and compel him to live in misconduct.—*Mr. Justice Hill.*

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# A WANDERER'S NOTEBOOK.

## LINCOLNSHIRE AND ITS ANTIQUARIES.

By E. V. LUCAS.

I was writing the other Sunday about the foreignness of Maldon and the Essex estuaries and levels, but the Lincolnshire fens are even more alien. Not for nothing was the division of the county where they are mostly situated called Holland. I descended upon it a few weeks ago from the high ground on which the Grantham aerodrome is placed, and was astonished by its Dutch cleanness, its tidiness and serene prosperity. Every cottage smiled, every garden was filled with flowers, many of them overflowing on to the road itself, which is a very generous and trustful trait; and as soon as you have passed one church another comes into view. Not all, I admit, are as vertical as they might be—in fact, we dashed past Surfleet's Pisa-like fane in fear of our lives—but so many comely spires I never saw in so short a space of time. Mostly crocketed, and with lancet windows to let the sky through, and of a gentle mellow tone of grey. But the most noticeable novelty, after the dykes, was the potatoes: miles and miles of them, all looking so strong and healthy, with here and there a rectangle of crimson daisies in full bloom, or tulips with fading leaves, to bring Hillegom nearer still.

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Two towns in particular did I wish to see—Boston and Spalding. Boston I found almost too thriving, if I may say a thing that, in these bad times, has a treacherous sound, for I was expecting and desiring more lethargy and decay. But no, everybody seemed rich, and even the "Stump," by which degrading name the bold and lovely tower of St. Botolph's Church, rising to a height of 288 feet, or higher than Grantham's graceful steeple, is known, conceals the malady for the healing of which a sum of £30,000 is being begged. "Why does not your wealthy New England namesake take over the liability?" I asked the hotel porter, an old soldier bowed down with medals, but he replied only with a grim smile. Can it be that the Americans who flock to this historic spot are grudging with their tips?

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Looking into the authorities, I find that it was on June 12, exactly 300 years ago, that Isaac Johnson, a companion of Winthrop, who gave the new Boston its name, arrived at Salem. What is now the Massachusetts Boston, or Hub of the Universe (the city of culture and cod, where Lowells speak only to Cabots and Cabots speak only to God), was before then known as Shawmut. Upon Shawmut, which to the devout Shavian sounds like a contradiction in terms, Boston was certainly an improvement, and this fact alone should commend the failing Stump's needs to our transatlantic cousins.

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Had I been able I should have climbed to the top of this soaring tower to get a broad survey of the Wash, where King John, as every facetious schoolboy knows, lost his clothes. More strictly it was while crossing the Welland, Spalding's river, which debouches into the Wash. He had come into Lincolnshire, in 1216, to escape from the Barons, who had been too much for him at Runnymede in the previous year, and was crossing the Welland from King's Lynn. Lincolnshire proved his complete ruin, for he was taken ill at the Abbey of Swineshead, through eating too many peaches and drinking too much new beer, or, as some say, from poison; at Sleaford a physician bled him; and at Newark, just across the border, in Notts, he died. Thus ended a bad man and a bad King.

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At Spalding I was agreeably surprised by chancing upon Ayscoughfee Hall, a Tudor mansion beside the river, opposite a cheerful Georgian terrace: now a museum and pleasure ground, but formerly, in the eighteenth century, the home of Maurice Johnson, who revived the Society of Antiquaries of London in 1717, and some years before founded the Gentlemen's Society of Spalding, which I hope still flourishes, for I like its style. The special glory of Ayscoughfee Hall is its marvellous array of yew trees cut into strange mammothy shapes, all unwieldy and a-symmetrical; very different from the trim exactitude of Levens, for instance, but as impressive as a ruined abbey.

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Antiquaries have a way of being happy, and Maurice Johnson was no exception. Indeed, I should guess him to have been one of the happiest, even though he had twenty-six children. He inherited money and he married money (was there not a Lincolnshire farmer with views on the desirability of wealthy alliances?), and he also inherited this beautiful house and was able to spend his time in archæological research, in collecting coins, armour, enamels, crystals, and prints, and in forming societies. Could there be a pleasanter existence? And when he was tired of reading, writing, gloating, and cataloguing, there were these shady walks to loiter in, although the yews cannot then—he died in 1755—have been so strange and profuse as they are to-day. Loitering there myself, I was especially interested to think that on this very turf, along these identical paths, had the great Linnæus and the great Boerhaave, the botanists, walked too, for they visited Spalding as the guests of Johnson's son-in-law, Dr. Green, also a botanist in a more modest way; and how natural for him to bring them to see the owner of Ayscoughfee Hall and the rare plants that he grew there!

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From Johnson it is a natural step to his contemporary, William Stukeley (1687-1765), another Lincolnshire antiquary of greater fame, although not less worthy, the friend of Sir Isaac Newton, and the first authority on Stonehenge, who began life as a doctor, practising at Boston, but, entering the Church, had a living at Grantham, which did not prevent him from laying out, under the influence of the Salisbury Plain temple, a garden of the Druids with an apple-tree sprouting mistletoe in the midst. He then moved to Stamford, to another living and another semi-pagan garden, and remained there until he was made rector of St. George-the-Martyr, in Queen Square, Bloomsbury. As a clergyman he was neither enthusiastic nor eminent—once, in April, 1764, postponing the service for an hour in order that the congregation might witness an eclipse of the sun (and incidentally have their dinners spoilt); but as an archæologist, author, and collector he was in his element, and I should guess not less happy than Maurice Johnson: a conclusion in which I am supported by the evidence as to his unfailing high opinion of himself.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

### American Tribute to Our Police.

Sir,—Will you permit a "Yankee" who is familiar with the police systems of many large cities on both sides of the Atlantic to say "amen" to your excellent editorial "The Force," in your issue of July 6?

The writer quite agrees with your tribute to the "wonderful tact and efficiency" of the London police. Further he has observed and profited by the courtesy, kindness, and common-sense of its members, and desires to say, however feebly, what practically all visitors from his country feel, that the London police are a splendid body, richly deserving the thanks of Britons and aliens.

*London, W.C.* B.

### A Sussex Trackway.

Sir,—Mr. E. V. Lucas is "interested in Sussex." Does he know the roadway leading from the Brighton coast, over the South Downs, past an ancient military camp, down Ditchling Beacon, through Ditchling Village, over Ditchling Common, along Manor Road (Burgess Hill), known locally as Red Lane, crossing Janes Lane (close to my house), to fields leading to Theobald's Lane, mentioned in my letter on "Burgess Hill"? The trackway leads eventually to the high road through Wivelsfield, where it is lost.

This said way is supposed to have been formed by the Romans taking lead from the western mines (?) to Londinium. Anyway, it was used by smugglers, and in the Manor Road are some cottages which have unusual cellars, so I was informed by a tenant of one of these cottages.

*Burgess Hill.* S.

### "British Empire."

Sir,—Your correspondents seem to have overlooked the claims of at least two of our Anglo-Saxon Kings upon their money and in their charters. Both Athelstan and Edgar use the title "Rex totius Britanniæ" on their money; and the former, after his crushing defeat of the combined forces of the Welsh, Scots, Northumbrians, and Irish-Danes at the battle of Brunanburh, in 937, styled himself in his charters in such terms as "Rex Anglorum per omnipatrantis dexteram totius Britanniæ regni solio sublimatus" or "Rex monarchus totius Britanniæ Insulæ." Edgar uses similar titles—including "Imperator"—and in a charter fabricated in the reign of Henry II. he and Athelstan are termed Emperors of the British Isles. The passage is too long to quote in the original. See Thorpe's "Diplomatarium Anglicum," p. 211.

W. J. ANDREW.

*Michelmersh, near Romsey.*

### Foreign Competition in the Steel Trade.

Sir,—Mr. Philip Bright inquires how the policy of Empire Free Trade is affected by the imports of Indian pig iron.

United Kingdom imports of iron ore amount to four and a-quarter million tons a year, of which only 50,000 tons comes from the Empire.

India imports iron and steel goods to the amount of over a million tons annually, of which half a million tons comes from us.

It is obvious that if India, under a policy of Empire Free Trade, invites another half-million tons of iron and steel goods from us by a tariff against the foreigner, we should need not only to produce more ore ourselves, but welcome a larger import from India. At the moment three-quarters of India's half-million ton export of ore goes to Japan.

A duty against foreign ore into the United Kingdom which was sufficient to negative under-selling would be directed against 99 per cent. of all competition, and result in such a fillip to the industry as to re-absorb many scores of thousands of men.

CHARLES NORTHEN.

*Moore Street, S.W.*

### Empire Trade.

*From SIR HARRY FOSTER.*

Sir,—A departure which brings all this talk about Empire trade down to brass tacks will be made at the new headquarters of the Union of South Africa in the Strand. In addition to the display of overseas products, which is now a customary feature at these London outposts of the Dominions, South Africa is devoting considerable space to showing goods made in this country for which a new market might be expected in South Africa.

Two questions arise: Will British manufacturers have the sense to make adequate use of their new oppportunity; and will Australia, Canada, and New Zealand follow South Africa's lead? During these summer months when, for example, we are eating millions of South African oranges and apples from Australia in preference to those sold in competition with them from outside the Empire, it seems just good business that a chance of reciprocity should be offered in this enterprising fashion and accepted by those whose duty it is to keep Britain at work.

HARRY FOSTER.

*Victoria Street, S.W.*

### Coal Mines Bill.

*From SIR JOHN PRATT.*

Sir,—The Coal Mines Bill still hovers between life and death. In its present form it deserves to die. But there is an alternative to killing the Bill. Kill Part I. and save the Bill. Part I. is designed to make coal dearer, to restrict production, and therefore to increase unemployment. It is monstrously wicked for Parliament deliberately to pass a measure to increase unemployment at a time like the present.

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Part IV. sets up the National Industrial Board. By confining the Bill to these parts the Government honour their pledges. By dropping Part I. they reduce to the minimum the inevitable harm of this unhappy and friendless measure.

To introduce Part I. was a blunder. To retain it in existing circumstances would be a crime.

*Beckenham.* JOHN PRATT.

### Burgess Hill, Sussex.

Sir,—The old London to Brighton Road runs through Burgess Hill, as does a London to Lewes road through Hayward's Heath.

In the eighteenth century the hill leading from St. John's Common was "in charge" of a highwayman named Burgess, while a few miles away an associate named Hayward kept watch over a heath just outside Cuckfield, the two worthies having their daylight lair in Theobald's Lane, an old trackway about equi-distant from the two places now known, one as Burgess Hill, the other as Hayward's Heath.

The foregoing appeared some four years ago in the report of a lecture given by an authority on such matters, but whose credentials I am unable to furnish.

*Burgess Hill.* S.

Sir,—In the Sussex directory Sir William Bull will find the information he requires. Burgess Hill is an ecclesiastical parish formed from the parishes of Clayton and Keymer, and it includes St. John's Common. The latter is on the main London road, and there was formerly common land, now nearly all built upon. Burgess Hill is built upon land round the railway, nearly a mile distant, and it is now the centre of the township. That part was never called St. John's Common, certainly not in my recollection, which goes back sixty years at least.

There were no houses there prior to the opening of the railway station, consequently I cannot see how it could have been named after the preacher.

*Bognor Regis.* FRANK LEMMON.

[Replies have also been received from H. V. T. (Eastbourne) and Stephen Simeon (Wimbledon).]

### Soldiers' Songs.

Sir,—May we, as joint editors of "Songs and Slang of the British Soldier: 1914-18," be allowed to reply to your two correspondents who tax us with minor errors? There is no "correct" version of "I Want to Go Home." All these songs composed by soldiers were sung with many variations. As stated in the book, rather than cumber our pages with alternative readings, we chose in most cases the version which seemed to us the most pointed. "Call Out the Army and the Navy" is not included in our collection because, as Mr. Rayner says, it was sung on the music-halls, and could only doubtfully be called a soldiers' song. And in our glossary the derivation of "Blighty" is given from the adjectival form of an Hindustani word meaning "foreign," though the transliteration (given us by Dr. Edward Thompson) is slightly different from Lieut.-Colonel Irvine's.

Mr. MacCarthy, in his generous review, naturally compressed the definition—the reviewer's function, after all, is to criticise and not to paraphrase. May we be excused for pointing out that if your correspondents had consulted the book itself and not the review only, these misunderstandings would not have arisen. JOHN BROPHY.

ERIC PARTRIDGE.

*Brentford, Middlesex.*

Sir,—It is hard to dogmatise when every unit—nay, every singer—had his own particular version. But Mr. Rayner, in his letter appearing in your last issue, is surely wrong about "I want to go home; where the Alleyman can't get at me" (or "canna bomb me" in my own unit, a Scots one), which was certainly the most usual one.

In his introduction (p. 4) Mr. Brophy mentions that the song, "I love my girl," has been suppressed as being merely lewd and not essentially a "soldiers' song," and rightly so. But many of the songs and verses quoted in the book, though certainly, as with the slang in the admirable glossary, common currency among soldiers during the war were in general use long before it and not necessarily among soldiers.

Only a few need be mentioned: "Three German Officers" (or "Skibboo"), which is the same as "Madame, Have You?" and of which there are endless variations; "Here's to the good old beer"—why was the good old sherry left out?—"Rolling Home," usually sung as its chorus after each verse and ending:—

How happy I would be,
With a bottle on my knee,
Here's to the good old,

etc.; "Barney," evidently "Bring back my bonny to me," a very well-known air found in most community song books; "Down by the sea," "She was pore, but she was honest," "I wisht I was single again," which is only the chorus of a very old and quite proper ditty, "I married a wife, and then——," "It was Christmas Day in the Workhouse"—again there are many variations of this, and the one quoted is not metrically correct, two lines being omitted in the first part of each verse.

The air of "I don't want to be a soldier" is not a chant, it is taken from a revue—"Bric-a-Brac," I think—"On Sunday I walk out with a soldier," which ended—

On Saturday I'm willing, if you'll only take the shilling,
To make a man of any one of you.

*Glasgow.* A. R. CROSS.

Sir,—Your correspondent's derivation of "Blighty" from "Belāti" or "Wilāyati,' foreign, is, I believe, one that is widely accepted. Yet I should like to suggest another possible source of the word. Owing, no doubt, to the existence of a large Moslem element in the population of India and its use of the Qur'an, there is in the texture of the Hindustani vernacular a strong leaven of Arabic. Now, the colloquial Arabic for country is "blad" or "bled." This word, with the addition of the suffix "ee," possessive pronoun "my," becomes "bladee," meaning "my country," hence "home."

I put this forward as an alternative derivation of "Blighty."

*Leytonstone.* W. CASTLE RAILTON.

[Letters also received from James Seton-Anderson (Dumfries) and Evelyn Boys (Exeter).]

### Sussex "Yard of Ale."

Sir,—The earliest mention of yard of ale glasses seems to be in "Evelyn's Diary," under the year 1685, where the diarist tells how King James II. was proclaimed at Bromley, Kent, His Majesty's health "being drunk in a flint glasse of a yard long." These glasses were in shape like a huntinghorn a yard long, with a globe instead of a mouthpiece. They were in use well into the eighteenth century, and were essentially trick glasses. Filled with ale, the victim, responding to the challenge to drink the lot, got half-way through, when the air, reaching the bulb, forced the remainder flush into his face. An occasional specimen appears in sales of old glass, and there is a very perfect one of glass of beautiful metal in South Kensington Museum. Considering the boisterous company in which they were used, the marvel is that any survive. I found one in Warwickshire (a late example), and I have no doubt that an odd specimen exists in Sussex.

*Putney* W. J. COWPER.

Sir,—A "yard" (of ale, etc.) was a slender glass a yard in length, and capable of holding a pint; hence, "a pint." Drinking from a "yard" was frequently the subject of a wager, on account of the likelihood of spilling. Like "the Rule in Shelley case," the "ale-yard" was no respecter of persons, or counties, and therefore not peculiar to Sussex. The following ("Notes and Queries," 4 series, x. 49) will show that it was more or less common to England, at any rate:—

At the Annual Vinis, or Feast, of the mock corporation of Hanley, Staffordshire, the initiation of each member, in 1783, consisted in his swearing fealty to the body, and drinking a yard of wine—i.e., a pint of sherry or port out of a glass one yard in length.

*Eastbourne.* H. V. T.

[Reply also received from A Lover of Quotations (Hyde Park, W.).]

### "Time With Time is Knit."

Sir,—The lines quoted by your correspondent H. Wilson, beginning:—

I see
How every time with every time is knit,

are from a sonnet by Sidney Lanier, published in his "Poems." The sonnet begins:

Now at thy soft recalling voice I rise
Where thought is lord o'er Time's complete estate.

*Oxton, Cheshire.* GEORGE GLASGOW.

### Miss Ellen Ternan.

Sir,—With reference to the letter from "A Dickensian" on the subject of Miss Ellen Ternan, I think he is in error in saying there is "a good deal of mystery" about her. She and her sister, Fanny Ternan, were well-known young actresses of the fifties and sixties of last century. Their mother, Mrs. Ternan, acted with Gustavus Brooke, Cora Nowatt, and other players of the day at the old Olympic, and they themselves were both members of Charles Kean's Shakespearean company at the Princess's from 1851 onwards, forming part of what was sarcastically known as "Kean's bevy of beauty." The bevy included also Agnes Robertson, better known to us as Mrs. Dion Boucicault (the "Colleen Bawn"), Carlotta Leclercq (afterwards Fechter's leading lady), Caroline Heath, celebrated for her wealth of golden hair, afterwards Mrs. Wilson Barrett), Miss Murray (who married Brandram, the Shakespearean reciter), Eleanor Bufton, and Kate and Ellen Terry. The two last named were much the youngest of the group.

Miss Heath and the Ternan family were said to have been "discovered" by Kean acting with amateurs at the little Royalty theatre in Dean Street the favourite place for stage aspirants, and here they may have played with Dickens.

ERROLL SHERSON.

*Winchester Street, S.W.*

### Eton v. Harrow Cricket.

*From the Rt. Hon. SIR LANCELOT SANDERSON.*

Sir,—I was interested in reading Mr. Henry Benson's article on the Eton v. Harrow match in your last issue. The version of Byron's retort, to which reference is made, is new to me.

The version which I have always understood to be the correct one is as follows:—

If, as you say, we played the fool,
No wonder we were beaten;
For at *that* game no other school
Can ever compete with Eton.

I should like to know if there is any authentic record of the communications which are said to have been exchanged on the occasion to which Mr. Benson refers.

LANCELOT SANDERSON.

*Carlton Club, S.W.*

Sir,—I must demur to that part of the article "Eton v. Harrow," in your last issue, which states that "the Eton XI. in 1860 was strengthened by the advent into the team of the Hon. F. Ponsonby and the Hon. R. Grimston," as my great-uncle, the Hon. R. Grimston, went to Harrow in 1829, and was twelfth man in 1833.

In a further paragraph on famous family names of Harrow, surely "Cranley" should read "Crawley"?

*St. Albans.* SYBIL B. REID.

[Letter also received from A. Shewan (St. Andrews, Fife).]

### Peregrines and Pigeons.

Sir,—Excepting, of course, the gamecock, there is no nobler domesticated bird than the homing pigeon, and with the exception, perhaps, of the bateleur eagle there is no nobler bird of prey than the peregrine falcon.

I have been to several peregrines' nests, and admit have found near them the remains of pigeons with ringed legs, but not very many. The fact is, a homer, unless exhausted, takes a lot of catching, and it is a common practice with falconers when a falcon does not mount as she should, to slip a strong, full-winged pigeon or two for her. She certainly will not catch it, and after a few failures will mount to a more commanding pitch. A pigeon may be now and then taken at the first stoop, but if it is not it is any odds on its beating the falcon. The losses among homers, I believe, arise from being set too heavy a task or from fog and other bad weather conditions. After a bad "smash" in a big flight entailing crossing the sea, the waters round our coast must be a salmi of pigeons The losses caused by peregrines are negligible.

Parts of the North of England—County Durham, for instance—are infested with swarms of homeless ownerless pigeons. They are in thousands. I once "blued" a flock which rose within shot off a stubble. I picked up five—all ringed—so I have never shot another. I like shooting as well as most people, but I would sooner see a grouse knocked over by a falcon than shoot fifty. Anyone can buy a gun, and, if he owns or rents a moor or a manor, or has friends to invite him, can go out shooting. He is almost sure to shoot something sooner or later.

But to dangle at the end of a rope over a cliff on the coast of Donegal, take a young falcon, rear, back, train, and enter her, and then see her come out of the blue, her bell and plumage shrieking in the wind, and kill her grouse, is quite another form of sport, and one of the finest. I am so sure of this that, in the absence of proof to the contrary, I am inclined to assume that anyone who would shoot or trap a peregrine, or would permit an employee to do so, must be, like, for instance, a man who would wax his moustache, capable of any atrocity.

A. BINGHAM CRABBE, Major.

*Hove Club, Hove.*

### Flag Days.

Sir,—Flag days were originated at the outset of the Great War by my mother, Mrs. Arthur Morrison, C.B.E., of High Burnside, Rutherglen, who organised in Glasgow, on September 5, 1914, the first flag-day ever held, when, on behalf of the wives and dependents of the soldiers and sailors, miniature Union Jacks were sold in hundreds of thousands to the public.

The immediate and enormous public response to the idea established it as the simplest, most popular, and by far the most efficacious method of raising large sums of money for charitable purposes. The sum raised by this means exceeds £16,000,000, and the fact that it is still used, sixteen years later, testifies eloquently to its phenomenal success.

"A. H." may find further particulars on the subject under the originator's name in "Who's Who." JOHN MORRISON.

*Milton Mansions, W.14.*

Sir,—The idea of so-called "flag days" came to England from the Continent. They were not originally known as "flag days," but as flower days, and went at first by the name of a "Marguerite Day"; the marguerite plant being the most widely used flowers for outdoor window boxes, etc., in the towns.

These gala days were unheard of during my student years abroad until 1905. But on my return in 1911 I found that they had become an established custom for raising funds for local charities. They must, therefore, have originated between 1905 and 1910.

The one I witnessed—in fact, assisted my hostess with—in Düsseldorf was on a more elaborate scale than anything I have ever seen in England. The whole town was decorated. Shop-fronts, doorways, window-boxes, and the numerous balconies with which the town abounds were not only lavishly but also most artistically decorated. Literally hundreds, and in some cases thousands, of these white flowers must have been used for the many really beautiful designs.

After the war flags were discarded, but the "days" have been continued with flowers or other emblems, sold almost exclusively in England as buttonholes. It might, perhaps, be more appropriate now to call them "emblem days" than "flag days."

*Exeter.* G. BLESSETT.

Sir,—Perhaps the originator of flag days was a lady (still, happily, living), who sold roses in a street in Westminster on Queen Victoria's 1887 Jubilee Day. The whole of the proceeds went to a particular charity. It was, therefore, essentially a "flag day," and, I think, the first.

GEO. BULBECK (Capt.)

*Clapham, S.W.*

### Wolsey's Grave.

Sir,—The reply of "M.Inst.C.E." is interesting, if not convincing. I cannot agree with Mr. Cecil Finlayson. He asks, "How many English people care two straws for the Cardinal?" and goes on to say that—

if any of your readers cares to ask the first ten persons he meets what the name Wolsey suggests, it is certain they would associate it with underwear,

etc. It is conceivable that one or more of the ten might connect the name with Hampton Court Palace. However, that is quite beside the point, and it is by no means a fair test of earthly fame. Wolsey was undoubtedly an outstanding character in English history. The discovery of his actual grave would interest a very large number of English people—of the studious, thoughtful type. How ignorant one must feel if, after visiting Hampton Court, Christ Church, Oxford, etc., one knew nothing of their founder.

*Finsbury Park, N.* P. G. MILLENER.

### Readers' Queries.

[The number of readers' queries that reach us is now so great that a small proportion only can be published, and we endeavour therefore, to make a selection of those of most general interest.]

Can any reader give the origin of the following Italian lines?—

Or non tu sai com'è fatta la donna
Avviluppa promesse—giuramenti
Che tutta spargon poi per l'aere e venti.

—S. (Hampstead).

By whom, and on what occasion, was the French song "Partant pour la Syrie" written?—H. A. (St. Andrews).

Philo of Byzantium, who lived in the second and third centuries, is mentioned as the author of a work on military engines. Can any of your readers, well versed in the literature of that period, give me any information regarding the engines referred to?—J. S.-A. (Dumfries).

THIRTY FIVE YEARS AGO

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# THE WEEK AT WESTMINSTER.

## WEDNESDAY'S DIVISION.

### MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S TACTICS.

By "A STUDENT OF POLITICS."

Did Mr. Lloyd George, on Wednesday, really want to defeat the Government and force it to resign? If he did, there are forces at work of which none of the critics have taken account. That Mr. Lloyd George should want an early general election is incredible, for he has much to lose and very little chance of gain; in spite of the protestations of Labour that the Government would have resigned if it had been defeated on Wednesday's motion, the present writer persists in thinking that it would not have done so, and further, even if Mr. MacDonald had resigned, that he would not have advised the King to dissolve Parliament.

The idea that a Government must necessarily resign if it is defeated on an important amendment on the Budget is mumbo-jumbo; if the House of Commons were doing its work properly every Government would be defeated two or three times on every Budget and be glad to submit to correction. But if Mr. MacDonald had followed precedent and thought it his duty to resign had his majority of two been a majority against him, he would probably have advised the King not to dissolve Parliament but to send for someone else to form a Government.

Probably that was what Mr. Lloyd George was playing for. He wanted first to convince the Government that he was powerful and thereby improve his chances of electoral reform. Failing that, he wanted troubled waters to fish in. The Liberals who abstained from voting or voted with the Government were either enemies of Mr. Lloyd George or were tactically just duffers. It was a chance for the Liberal Party and it was missed, either because the Liberal rebels could not trust their leader to make a good use of the Government's defeat or out of sheer clumsiness. It must never be forgotten that Mr. Lloyd George will always have two strings to his bow, that he is at heart still a Coalitionist, and that though he is quite willing to form a Free Trade bloc with Labour on terms, he is equally prepared to work with the Conservatives. He is not a Free Trader by conviction, and if he could get his own brand of protection he would throw Free Trade over.

### EXEMPTION FOR RECONDITIONING.

For the first amendment giving an income-tax abatement of sixpence on profits carried to reserve and used for reconditioning there was much to be said. That was handsomely rejected, but the amendment giving complete exemption from tax to profits used in this way, but restricting the relief to a period of three years and linking it up with unemployment, was probably unsound, despite the much greater amount of support that it received. Mr. Churchill supported it, but not because he thought anything of the idea as a direct contribution to the problem of unemployment. He believes in this or any reduction of taxation, and he would make up the deficiency by reducing the redemption of the debt.

Mr. Snowden said, sotto voce, in the course of the debate that Mr. Churchill's arguments made him sick, but may not the reason be that their opinions are much nearer than either of them suspects? After all, they are probably the two best Free Traders in the House, though of very different types; and when Mr. Churchill asks Mr. Snowden not to be bigoted but to believe that criticism can be the most useful help, he is probably quite sincere. The time is coming when there will be no Free Trade party but three different types of Protection in competition; and when it has come the two men will be natural allies.

### A DULL HOUSE.

Apart from Wednesday's debate, the House continues to be dull. The cause is not lack of able men amongst the members. There may be fewer men of conspicuous ability than there were ten years ago, and the high proportion of trade unionists in the membership means that there are many dull men in the House. Most decidedly the brains of the Labour Party are not to be found amongst its trade unionists.

The best Labour speech last week was Mr. Ben Turner's on his Bill for nationalising land and water, and most of the elements. But the astonishing thing about the speech was that while its theme was highly Socialistic, its whole inspiration was from the Radicalism of last century. Socialism as a creed seems to have lost its wings, if it ever had any. If ever you hear a Socialist in the House talk with fire and conviction it is ten to one that he is not talking Socialism at all but some species of advanced Radicalism. The cause of the prevailing dullness is that the Government lacks the courage of whatever convictions it has, with the result that its followers are discontented and rebellious, conscious that there is something missing without quite knowing what it is.

### MINISTERIAL PUSILLANIMITY.

A conspicuous example of this lack of courage was the complete surrender of the Government on Friday. The real reason for the Socialist rebellion against the names of the reappointed Public Works Loans Commissioners was not that they had any objection to the work of the men, but simply that they were not Socialists. Precisely because they are conscious of not throwing up men of ability, they insist that there are as able men to be found amongst them as in any of the other parties. One member said that if they returned to old names, they would be acknowledging an inferiority complex. In fact, their anxiety to get rid of the old names was proof that they are labouring under this complex. That the Government should have capitulated to this cowardly feeling instead of defending public servants who have done excellent work was a flagrant example of the cowardice which is the principal fault of the present régime.

### PRIVATE BILL PROCEDURE.

It is a good sign that a serious attempt is being made to simplify Private Bill procedure, and, imperfect as Mr. Greenwood's Bill introduced on Friday may be, it is to be hoped that Conservatives will not try to defeat it. Things are not so bad now as they were in the days mentioned by Sir Herbert Samuel, when it cost as much to get the Great Northern Railway Bill through Parliament as to bore the first great tunnel through the Alps; but there is an immense field for reforms in this as in other departments of Parliamentary procedure. But the Commons is singularly reluctant to part with any shadow of power, and all the time it is losing the substance. Despite the fact that the Road Traffic Bill was very carefully debated in the Lords, and that a Commons Committee had been working on it upstairs for three months, there were still twenty-eight pages of amendments on the paper when the Bill came on the floor of the House for the Report stage. Mr. Morrison is one of the few members of the Government who have increased their reputation this year, and he is managing his Bill very well. But he would probably be the first to admit that a shocking amount of time has been wasted on it, and that the result will probably be an inferior Bill. The Commons will have to learn to apply the sound business maxim of "letting one doing do" if it is to get through its work with efficiency and without undue hardship.

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Unlike most London squares, St. James's has a gardener all to itself, and something explains that. A modest charge for the upkeep of the garden attaches to the houses in it, as well as keys of admission. But one householder, who seeks no advertisement, has for years taken care that everything should be in better order than the communal fund could possibly afford. That is why St. James's Square, at this high summer-time, is almost as delightful to the eyes as a private garden.

# MEN, WOMEN, AND MEMORIES.

## ROYAL ELOCUTION—SIR JOSEPH WARD—MR. ROCKEFELLER AND SIR GEORGE YOUNG—CONAN DOYLE.

By ATTICUS.

The King's speech at the opening of the new India House must have given great satisfaction to the thousands of His Majesty's loyal subjects who listened-in to it on their wireless sets, for it came over in clear and resonant tones that conveyed no suggestion of ill-health. But the King has always been a good speaker, with an excellent carrying voice that can be heard anywhere. His diction and elocution are admirable, and might well be emulated by the politicians who stumble in Parliament and the actors who mumble on the stage. The King has learnt how to deliver a speech, though no doubt he owes much to nature, which has endowed him with a vocal organ of good power and range.

King Edward VII. had the same gift, though he never quite got rid of the slight foreign accent acquired in his early boyhood, when German was the home language of Queen Victoria's Court. But King George V.'s English is perfect, and in his speeches every word is given its right value and accentuation. The Prince of Wales has the same excellent qualities of clear delivery and careful elocution, with a very pleasant voice, and a light touch and charm of manner all his own. He is rapidly acquiring a well-deserved reputation as one of the best of after-dinner orators.

### AN EMPIRE STATESMAN.

Sir Joseph Ward was one of the few Dominion statesmen of whose name and political record the public in Great Britain had a certain consciousness. General Smuts, Mr. Seddon, Mr. Hughes, Sir Robert Borden, and the late Australian Premier, Mr. Stanley Bruce, would figure on the list, but not many others in recent years. Ward was a rather frequent visitor to this country, and made many friends; for he was not only a convinced and zealous Imperialist but a genial and attractive personality. I was once a fellow-passenger with him on an ocean-going liner, which had the usual varied assortment of first-class passengers, and the customary exhibition of cliques and petty quarrels; but everybody liked Sir Joseph Ward and got on well with him. Under his free-and-easy manner he hid an immense amount of energy and determination. He was a self-made man who began life at 13 as a telegraph messenger and made his own fortune. What is more uncommon is that he lost most of his money when he was middle-aged, and in the front rank of New Zealand politics. He retired from Parliament, went back to business, spent three years in money-making again, and returned to active politics, to become Prime Minister of the Dominion, to present a New Zealand battle cruiser to the British Navy, and when the great war came to be appointed a member of the Imperial War Cabinet and the Peace Conference. He was a keen advocate of Imperial unity, and laid his scheme for a Council of Empire before the Imperial Conference as long ago as 1911.

### A STRENUOUS VETERAN.

I spoke the other day of our Old Young Men, those veterans who carry the physical and intellectual energy of youth far beyond the now discredited Biblical allotted span of three-score and ten. One of the most striking of these capable octogenarians and nonagenarians is the wealthiest of them. The American newspapers have just been telling us of the birthday occupations of Mr. Rockefeller, sen.—very senior. J. D. Rockefeller, when he was a comparative youngster of 60, suffered from imperfect health, and was prepared to offer £200,000 to anybody who would provide him with a sound digestion. At 91 he is in such admirable condition that he can spend his birthday in motoring and golf. He went round his own private links, played nine holes with enjoyment, and, according to the veracious chronicler, got off several drives of 150 to 175 yards, which is what many players forty years younger would be pleased to do—that is, if the drives were straight. Mr. Rockefeller attributes his vigorous condition to golf, careful living, and plenty of fresh air. Perhaps, also, the consciousness that he has used his enormous gains mainly for the benefit of humanity has something to do with it.

### STRONGER STILL.

An even grander old man, in some respects, than the oil king, to my thinking, was the late Sir George Young, that great public servant and fine scholar. He was formerly Chief Charity Commissioner, and had done admirable work in administration, education, and local government. But he was so capable and so talented that one felt he should have occupied an even larger place in national affairs. You could not meet him without being at once struck by the impression he gave you of quite exceptional strength—strength of mind, of body, and of character.

Certainly his was a most imposing personality, which to many people seemed formidable, though I believe to his intimate friends he was very kindly and gracious. He started life with many social advantages, did extremely well at Eton and Trinity, went to the Bar, and was early marked out for political distinction by Gladstone. He was content, however, to find his vocation in the high places of the permanent Civil Service.

His official, non-political duties allowed him to cultivate his many other interests, including literature, classical scholarship, athletics in various forms, travelling, and Alpine climbing. He explored British Guiana, discovered the mighty Kaieteur Falls, and climbed the Jungfrau. He was a good swimmer when he was past 80, and a good walker to the end of his many days, and he was chairman of a county education committee till he was in his 93rd year, when he resigned, and published a most learned and penetrating book on Homer and the Greek Accents. I wonder if there is any parallel to these manifestations of intellectual and physical capacity at so great an age?

### SHERLOCK HOLMES.

To the world at large Conan Doyle was chiefly known as the creator of Sherlock Holmes and "my dear Watson." He was known everywhere on the Continent of Europe for his detective stories, and for very little else, neither as a war historian, nor a writer of verse, nor as the author of historical romances, nor (except within restricted circles) as a spiritualist. His vogue is not so great as it was, partly because the market has been flooded by his disciples and imitators. But a few years ago, if you walked into a bookseller's shop in Prague, or Milan, or Budapest, and asked if they kept any English novels you would probably be told that you could have "Shairlok Hol-mes." In some cities that interesting character was run hard by Horn-ing's Raffles, still very popular abroad, though perhaps rather out of date in England.

Conan Doyle had as few literary frills about him as any writer I ever met. Indeed, I do not think that literature, as such, interested him, which is one reason, I suppose, why he wrote with very little distinction of style. He did not look the artist or bookman, but like the sturdy, open-air, sport-loving patriot he was. Life in all its manifestations attracted him, but particularly life on the active, adventurous, energetic, romantic side. Irish by descent and Scottish by birth and education, he was in temperament and outlook rather typically English, and he fixed his abode in that weald of Sussex which is, or was till recently, the most characteristically Saxon part of the country. That this robustious, downright, healthy-minded materialist should have taken to Spiritualism always struck me as curious. There was nothing of the mystic or the ecstatic dreamer about him.

# "THE TOWN": MEN AND INTIMACIES

By "AUTOLYCUS."

The Queen's interest in and real knowledge of art is well known, and her faculty for remembering a picture or *objet d'art*, once she has seen it, is really remarkable. Whilst the King was recuperating at Bognor last year, Her Majesty drove over one day to tea with Major and Mrs. Jack Courtauld, at Burton Park, Petworth. During a tour of the house, the Queen's eye lighted on three flower pictures hanging in Mrs. Courtauld's bedroom. She inspected them for some minutes, and inquired the name of the artist, without expressing any opinion on his work. One afternoon last week, Mr. Terence Loudon, who is the artist in question, was sitting talking to a friend at his exhibition in Old Bond Street, when suddenly his beautiful golden Labrador retriever, "David," jumped up from beneath a sofa and rushed towards the door, barking loudly. Down the long, narrow passage leading to Patterson's Gallery came the Queen, who waved her lorgnette at the exuberant "David," remarking with a smile, "I'm not a bit afraid of you." Her Majesty examined every picture with characteristic thoroughness, telling Mr. Loudon that when first she saw his work she decided to add an example of it to her collection of flower pictures. After purchasing a delightfully-painted study in pale, pastel tones of a bunch of spring flowers, arranged in a gleaming opalescent bowl, the Queen expressed her wish that it should remain where it was until after the close of Mr. Loudon's exhibition in a week or two's time.

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Lord Passfield, the Colonial Secretary, and the erstwhile Mr. Sidney Webb, is 72 to-day. Founder of the London School of Economics, Lord Passfield is a most unobtrusive man, caring nothing for honour and glory provided he can exercise real control. He always vowed that he would never enter Parliament, and gives one the impression that he is still mystified how he arrived there. That he should have reached the House of Lords is a painful subject to his wife, whose main pre-occupation in these days appears to be camouflaging the fact that she is a peeress. Say what she will, however, she is Lady Passfield, and never again can she be legally addressed as Mrs. Sidney Webb.

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Colonel Heywood relinquishes the command of the Coldstream Guards at the end of next month, and will be succeeded by Colonel Evelyn Gibbs, at present commanding the 129th Infantry Brigade, who formerly commanded the 1st Battalion Coldstream Guards. Colonel Gibbs, who joined the Regiment during the South African War, in which he served, had the misfortune to be taken prisoner in October, 1914, in an action for which he was awarded the Military Cross. He is exceedingly popular in the regiment with all ranks. A younger brother of Lord Wraxall he married in 1919 Lady Helena Cambridge at St. George's, Windsor.

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The "Twelfth" approaches, and the London estate agents report that moors in Scotland and the North of England have let pretty well this year. Not more could have been expected, having regard to the "slump" here and in America, from which, in seasons past, many wealthy sportsmen have come. Per contra, as one might say, sport promises to be thoroughly good, especially in Scotland, where there has been much dry weather. This meant both a fruitful hatching season and the undisturbed growth of the birds, which are numerous and strong. Aforetime the King was wont to have some grouse-shooting on his way to Balmoral, but whether he will this year or not seems to be undetermined as yet.

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The party given by Sir Harry and Lady McGowan at Claridge's on Thursday night to some 350 friends on the occasion of the twenty-first birthday of their second son, Mr. "Billy" McGowan, was a great success. At supper Lord Birkenhead proposed the latter's health in a very amusing speech, containing a delightful mixture of bantering humour and happy sentiment. Young McGowan is going to the Bar, and is now a student at Gray's Inn. Lord Birkenhead told his hearers that there was a vacant niche in Gray's Inn opposite the statue of the great Bacon. Many people had had vague ideas as to the way in which that niche might be suitably filled, but with the coming to Gray's Inn of the son of the President of Imperial Chemical Industries, and assuming that he had inherited his father's remarkable Scotch personality, the question might now be regarded as being in process of settlement. Mr. McGowan, who is eventually going in for politics, made an excellently phrased speech in acknowledging the toast.

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Thrilling moments abound in the wonderfully-conceived and produced Naval Tattoo that takes place at Whale Island, Portsmouth, during the last week in July, but I hope there will be none so hair-raising as that which occurred at one of the rehearsals the other night. A lofty observation tower has been erected, where the powerful spotlights are also installed, and suddenly a fire broke out on the platform, connected with the ground only by fifty-five feet of narrow, almost perpendicular ladder. No fire extinguisher was at hand, but luckily the young officer in charge managed to put out the flames with tarpaulins. Whilst the episodes showing the gradual evolution of weapons used at sea during the last five hundred years were being rehearsed there was an amusing incident. A powerful-looking man, after seemingly tremendous efforts and frenzied heavings, managed to lift the apparently solid stone of the catapult into position, whence it was launched into space and fell clear of the lighted arena, only to bounce lightly along the ground, being really no more than a Rugby football cunningly camouflaged in canvas!

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It was a clever idea to send all the purchasers of tickets for the Midnight Revue an intimation that a certain small but chic restaurant in Gerrard Street would remain open to serve a special supper-breakfast; and when I arrived there just before 4 o'clock on Friday morning the room was crowded with well-known people. Some of them had had an exceptionally exhausting evening, and one woman was retailing, as she consumed eggs and bacon with evident gusto, that she had first been to the Court, then on to two photographers, before looking in at Lady McGowan's dance at Claridge's and rushing on to take part in Mrs. A. G. McCorquodale's clever Pageant of British Industries in the Midnight Revue. Lady Brecknock, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mond, Lady Brownlow, and Mr. Richard Norton were a few of those breakfasting before going home in the cold, clear light of daybreak after what was undoubtedly the latest, if not the most crowded, night of the season.

# EMPIRE TRADE.

## A VALUABLE ANALYSIS

### POSSIBILITIES AND LIMITATIONS.

By HAROLD COX.

The problems of Empire Trade are now occupying the minds of all British citizens, and a very useful contribution to the consideration of these problems is to be found in a book published last week called "Empire Stock-Taking."* The author is Mr. St. Clare Grondona, and his wife has contributed to the book numerous very effective plates illustrating the distribution of trade. No such compact volume on the subject has yet appeared, and it is gratifying to note that it is intended to be an annual publication. Mr. Grondona's own inclination is obviously towards the expansion of Empire Trade, and with that object there are few people who will not sympathise. But quite rightly he has done nothing to jockey the figures either on one side or the other. As he says in his concluding chapter, he has "sought throughout this work to maintain a balanced outlook, to avoid stressing this or that aspect of the facts set down which would obviously have some special appeal to the partisan." So far as the figures of the trade of the United Kingdom are concerned, they are, of course, obtainable in the Trade and Navigation Accounts issued by the Board of Trade, but the figures of the Overseas Empire are most of them less accessible, and the special value of Mr. Grondona's book is that these figures are collated with those of the United Kingdom.

### "A SELF-SUFFICING EMPIRE."

Some enthusiasts for the Imperial trade movement have written and spoken as if it were possible to make the Empire a self-sufficing economic unit, all its members trading freely with one another and closing their doors against foreign countries. A very brief examination of actual figures shows that this is impracticable, and Mr. Grondona himself frankly says so.

To take the United Kingdom first: our exports to foreign countries are considerably more than half our total exports. Are we to tell the manufacturers of Great Britain to scrap these foreign markets and to concentrate their attention exclusively on Empire markets? As a matter of fact, in the past three years United Kingdom exports to foreign countries have increased appreciably, while United Kingdom exports to the Overseas Empire have slightly declined. The figures of the trade of Empire countries overseas tell a similar tale. Thirty-six per cent. of the exports of the Overseas Empire go to the United Kingdom; ten per cent. to other parts of the Empire, and fifty-four per cent. to foreign countries. We clearly cannot expect the Dominions, or India, or the Colonies to sacrifice this large foreign trade on the chance of getting an inter-Imperial trade to make good the loss. These considerations do not imply that it is undesirable to try to expand our Empire trade, but they do clearly show that we have got to rule out the idea of a self-sufficing Empire. When we come down to details, this necessity becomes still more apparent. Take, in the first place, the question of wheat. Notoriously, Great Britain cannot grow nearly enough wheat to feed her present population. We must import or starve. At present about half our imported wheat comes from the Overseas Empire, and the other half from foreign countries. It is quite true that we could get all the wheat we want from the Overseas Empire, but even if we did so, we should not solve the wheat problem from the point of view of Imperial producers of wheat, for the Empire production far exceeds the Empire demand. Consequently, farmers in the Dominions must sell some of their wheat to foreign countries.

### BEEF, BUTTER, COTTON, WOOL.

As regards oats, we have the interesting fact that no less than 86 per cent. of the oats consumed in Great Britain are home-grown. When we turn to the question of meat we find the issue complicated by the distinction between chilled beef and frozen beef. The former is more attractive to the British consumer, but it will not travel all the way from Australia under present conditions, and that is one of the reasons why so much of our imported beef comes from the Argentine. Butter also has many complications. Most of the Dominions seem to subsidise the production of butter, and at the present time there is a conflict between Canada and New Zealand on this question, the Canadian butter-makers objecting to the importation of subsidised New Zealand butter.

Passing to raw materials, we have the very important problems of cotton and wool. Lancashire and other cotton-manufacturing centres in the United Kingdom buy the bulk of their raw cotton—roughly 90 per cent. of the total—from foreign countries. This is doubtless partly a question of qualities, for India, which is the principal source of supply for Empire-grown cotton, does not grow the qualities that Lancashire mostly demands. Instead India exports a large part of her cotton to Japan and to other foreign countries. At present the total production of raw cotton of all qualities within the Empire is less than Great Britain's consumption. Therefore, until cotton growing within the Empire is further developed we must continue to import foreign-grown cotton. In the case of wool, the United Kingdom gets from the Overseas Empire 83 per cent. of what it imports; in the case of jute 98 per cent. comes from Empire sources. But United Kingdom consumers only use about half the wool that the Overseas Empire produces, and about a quarter of the jute. The Empire producers are dependent upon foreign customers for the sale of the remainder.

### FOREIGN TRADE ESSENTIAL.

Needless to say, similar considerations arise with regard to manufacturing industries. The manufacturers of Great Britain could not possibly find within the Empire under existing conditions a sufficient market for the goods they produce. If foreign trade were cut out they would be ruined. There is the further practical consideration that the terms "foreign" and "imperial" are, from the industrial point of view, a little misleading. We classify the Argentine as a foreign country, but as a matter of fact the industrial activities of that great South American territory are very largely due to British capital and to British brains. It would be a heavy blow to British investors if we adopted a hostile attitude towards Argentine products. Nor can we reasonably call "foreign" the petroleum produced by the Anglo-Persian Oil Company. According to purely geographical classifications, foreign countries produce by far the greater part of all the petroleum in the world and British countries the greater part of all the rubber. Is there to be no exchange?

A further point arises, namely, whether British manufacturers can afford to neglect great new countries like Brazil, where there are enormous possibilities of an expanding market for manufactured goods. All these considerations show that, while it is clearly both possible and desirable to extend trade within the Empire, it would be madness, both from the point of view of our own island and from the point of view of the whole Empire, to boycott trade with foreign countries. The whole matter is well summed up in the report of the British Preparatory Committee for the Imperial Conference: "The object in view should be not only to increase the volume of trade within the Empire, but, by organising the Empire on sound economic lines, to enable it to contribute as a unit in a larger degree than at present to the total volume of world trade."

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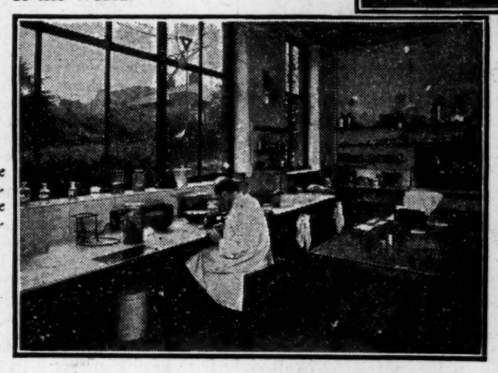

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## NORTH NORFOLK.

EMPIRE Crusaders are welcome to any exhilaration they can derive from the result of the North Norfolk bye-election. For ourselves, we can see little enough in which they can find cause for encouragement. Taken as a criterion of what the country thinks as a whole, North Norfolk fails signally to show any passionate enthusiasm for their policy. But, as a matter of fact, North Norfolk is not a criterion of the rest of the country: North Norfolk is a rural constituency experiencing severe agricultural depression—a constituency, in other words, which might be expected, if any were, to favour taxes on foreign foodstuffs. Yet North Norfolk rejects them. If such a constituency, at such a time, will not stand for the policy of food taxes without a *quid pro quo*, what likelihood is there that the industrial North, the urban constituencies, will do so?

Lord BEAVERBROOK went up to Norfolk and personally conducted a prodigious campaign. He is a man of immense energy and immense enthusiasm, and he did not spare himself. Yet, as the result shows, his efforts counted for very little, if for anything at all. If, as he claims, the electorate are sick of the official Conservative policy, then the fact, which he asserts, that party headquarters were grudging in their support of his candidate should have been not a handicap, but an asset. He is not entitled to complain in the same breath that North Norfolk does not want the official party programme and that lack of official party support loses him the election. The truth is, of course, that the electorate did not appreciate Mr. COOK'S appearance in the rôle of Mr. Facing-Both-Ways; it did not approve of his cynical attempt to run with the Headquarters hare and hunt with the BEAVERBROOK hounds.

It is more than possible that had Mr. COOK faced in only one direction, and that towards the policy of the Conservative Party, North Norfolk would have sent him to Westminster. It looks, indeed, as though Norfolk preferred the policy of the Conservatives to the aspirations of the Crusaders. That policy is for a tax on foodstuffs only when we have something to show for it in return. It is a plain policy, a reasonable and practicable policy; and North Norfolk has decided that there is nothing to be gained and much to be lost by trying to split the only party that can implement this policy and attempting to force it into premature and one-sided commitments.

The Conservative vote in North Norfolk went up at the bye-election by approximately two thousand, the Socialist vote was also increased. On this occasion there was no Liberal candidate, and the presumption is that a majority of the Liberal vote went to Mr. COOK, and a much smaller proportion to Lady NOEL-BUXTON: Liberals are still, for the most part, anti-Socialist. The result, in fact, was much what one might have expected in the circumstances after a year of utter Socialist failure in office to do anything for agriculture or unemployment. Of evidence that the "Crusade" is sweeping the country, is even sweeping the fields and farms, there is not one jot or tittle. On the contrary, but for the intrusion of the Crusaders and the miscalculated efforts of Mr. COOK to make the best of both worlds, with the resulting confusion of minds and issues, a Conservative might well have won the day. The lesson of North Norfolk is plain for all to see. It is that the electorate do not want the BEAVERBROOK policy; that, left to themselves, they would appreciate the policy of the Conservative Party—which includes a vigorous agricultural programme; and that dissension between the two inevitably brings defeat to both.

## TO SAVE THE STEEL TRADE.

THERE is one word above all others that is heard nowadays in comment on the industrial situation. It is a "blessed" word, as "Mesopotamia" was to the old woman; comfortable to the critics, and far from perfectly understood. It is held up before our eyes as the panacea for all our industrial ills, and as the sure and certain cure for trade depression. That word is Rationalisation. Now the set of processes conveniently grouped under the name of rationalisation is undoubtedly important in its place. In Germany, in France, in the United States, it has been largely carried through, and has in many instances proved of marked advantage. To say that it is a cure for unemployment is, at the best, dubious; one of its first effects is to make unemployment worse, though in the end it may make it better. But it does result in considerable saving of overhead charges combined with greater efficiency in production, and, in so far as it does these things, it is undoubtedly a need to which British industry as a whole has not hitherto paid sufficient attention.

Of any industry that is depressed, the critics nowadays immediately assert that its one hope is rationalisation. This being so, it is particularly interesting to note what the delegation which was sent by the Economic Advisory Council to investigate the iron and steel industries of the Continent had to say on its return. The British iron and steel industry is one of the most depressed in the country to-day, and we are always being told it must rationalise. The delegation, however, having carried out an extensive tour of iron and steel foundries in Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg, France and Czechoslovakia, and having compared conditions there with conditions in British foundries, reached the conclusion that as regards efficiency and management and the modernity and equipment of certain units of plant, the British were "equal to, and in some cases superior to," those they had seen on the Continent.

This being so, it is clear that, whatever economies can be effected by closer co-operation, the parrot-cry of rationalisation has no real pertinence when it comes to finding a cure for the depression in our iron and steel trades. We must look for something else, and we need not look very far. In their report the same delegation draw attention to the marked difference between the wages and working conditions pertaining in various countries on the Continent and those in force here. Wages in the steel trade in Germany are only 67 per cent. of those paid in Britain; in France only 50 per cent., in Belgium 47, in Czechoslovakia no more than 42. Now, it is significant that no less than 86 per cent. of the imports of iron and steel into Britain come from four of these countries. The moral is perfectly plain. We cannot continue to compete on present terms against countries whose wages and working conditions are so much inferior to our own. Either wages must come down or the home market must be protected. The workers of the country have to choose between a lower standard of living and safeguarding for their industries. These are the only possible alternatives to a continuation of unemployment on a colossal scale, and we do not think there is very much doubt as to which alternative the British workman, left to himself, would choose.

## THE YOUNG OFFENDER.

WHAT is to be done with the lad between 16 and 21 who breaks the law? The magistrates who last week conferred upon this and other matters at Bournemouth took the sensible course of trying to discover what makes him commit crime, and why the number has been increasing in recent years. Mr. ALEXANDER PATERSON, one of H.M. Commissioners of Prisons, put this down in part to the added resources which civilisation had brought to the boy's doorstep. The modern boy sees so many desirable things and comes to want more than his earnings can supply. Over and above this there must always be taken into account the natural vitality of youth, its desire for movement, power, and speed. This desire may lead him one way or the other, according as it is wisely directed; the border-line between mischief and heroism is very thin.

But what ought to be done? Prisons, in the judgment of Mr. PATERSON, were not places for training young offenders, and he hoped that a new way would be invented of dealing with minor offences. "Instead of depriving them of their liberty," he added, "I should like to deprive them of their leisure." It certainly would do a lad no harm to go three or four times a week to chop wood, or, when his companions were at a football match, to be doing overtime. The magistrates at the close of their conference asked the Council of their association to consider at once the whole question of automatic committal to prison, particularly in respect of young offenders. The method of dealing with them has been revolutionised since the days of DICKENS; but the magistrates think that further changes may safely be made. It is claimed that behind the Borstal system and other new methods of handling youth there is a real philosophy. The authorities believe in the English lad, and want his splendid powers not to be wasted.

## MUSICAL COPYRIGHT.

PROBABLY no one but its promoters and those associated with them will mourn the death sentence passed by the Select Committee on the Musical Copyright Bill. This infamous measure sought, ignorantly and wantonly, to impose such restrictions on the rights of composers as amounted to virtual confiscation of their property. In the alleged interests of justice, but actually in the interests of a commercial section of the community—the performers of music—composers of all kinds without distinction as to the length or quality of their works were to be compelled to surrender their rights to its performance for the contemptuous fee of twopence.

The stark unreason of this proposal has been brought home to the Committee, and the Bill has been sent back to the House of Commons without amendment, which means in the circumstances that it is dead. Such a fate awaited it from the beginning, once the iniquity of its proposals had been exposed. The Committee find that it contravenes international Treaty obligations, and they also suggest that some amendment of the existing virtual monopoly of performing rights may be desirable. But these considerations in no way mitigate the fact that the whole conception of the measure was fundamentally vicious.

## ST. SWITHUN.

THAT a man should be a Bishop of Winchester more than a millennium ago and a patron saint of the Cathedral in that city from the eleventh to the sixteenth century, and yet be remembered only for a weather myth, is one of the many tragedies which befall the dead. Immortality plays queer tricks with the reputation even of the saints. It is too late to do justice to ST. SWITHUN, about whom it must be confessed little is known; he must live in the lines which are recalled whenever the fifteenth day of July dawns; for on that day his body was transferred, not without marvels, it is said, to the new Basilica of Winchester in 971:

St. Swithun's day, if thou dost rain
For forty days it will remain;
St. Swithun's day, if thou be fair
For forty days 'twill rain no mair.

But it is something to have a place in the talk concerning weather which is the Englishman's favourite gambit in conversation. Science, however, begins to take away even the element of uncertainty which may have led our uninstructed forefathers to trust the one certain ground which ST. SWITHUN provided To-day we think in cycles; prophets tell us months ahead what the weather will be like. We learn long before the garden-party is due that there is a deep depression over Ireland or an anti-cyclone is expected from the West.

When the fifteenth of July comes we shall look more to the weather forecasts than to the wisdom of the ancients gathered round the saintly Bishop of Winchester. And they who ponder much upon future test matches and the weather which will be provided for them will not be greatly moved whether it rains or not on St. Swithun's Day. So that the saint in the popular mind is no longer a meteorological sign, but only a curious theme for the student of folklore.

## LEEDS—AND LORD'S.

THIS year's Test Matches have so far provided the best and brightest cricket of the season. They have been exciting, full of incident, and have sent records tumbling after one another across the pages of "Wisden." What is to be said of DON BRADMAN? To say that on modern wickets in fine, dry weather the bat will always beat the ball is by no means to explain away the amazing cricket of this master batsman. True, he has had perfect conditions, but so have his colleagues and opponents, and none of them has approached him. In DON BRADMAN, the boy of 21, Australia has a cricket phenomenon, one of the rare miracles of the game, a player who can almost beat a side off his own bat.

While BRADMAN and the rest were fighting it out with England at Leeds a lesser test match, almost as vital to its stern participants, was being decided at Lord's. The annual Eton and Harrow event has lost none of its appeal—has indeed gained something in picturesqueness since coaches and top hats grew rarer. Just possibly among these twenty-two school players may be one or two who, in years to come, will meet the might of Australia in a Test Match. Like Waterloo, the battles of Lord's and Leeds and Melbourne may sometimes be won on the playing fields of Eton and Harrow, as well as at county practice nets and on urban recreation grounds.

## OUR LAZY POETS.

IT is well known that the paths on Helicon run steeply; but never before has it been realised that climbers need a rest after each step. French poets of to-day, it seems, are growing lazy. A prize offered for a poem of 200 to 300 verses, suitable to be set to music, has not been won for three years. Three hundred verses? Monstrous! exclaims the poet, wondering if he has the strength for a sonnet.

This decline in productivity has been put down to the habit of ordering a drink after each verse. No longer does the poet lisp in numbers, for the numbers do not come without a stiff drink. And, while the blushful Hippocrene is superseded by more up-to-date beverages, poems grow shorter and shorter; soon, apparently, they will all be reduced to the length of that cryptic masterpiece:—

Spring . . .
Too long . . .
Gongula . . .

Something must be done about it. Discipline, Sir! That is what we need. Our poets must follow the example of our athletes and train; a run along the boulevards, steak for breakfast, and a nice drink of barley water, and the spirit of TUPPER will walk in our midst once more.

# *THE FUTURE OF INDIA.*

## *STAND BY THE SIMON REPORT.*

## *FACTS v. SLOGANS.*

## *THE VICEROY'S DECLARATION.*

### *By Sir Reginald Mitchell Banks, K.C.*

Parliament, quite soon, will have to take decisions upon which the future of India will depend. Parliament cannot delegate the responsibility; it is not for Simla to decide, it is for Westminster. For as Disraeli said, in his last speech, "The Key of India is not Merv, nor Herat, nor Kandahar. The Key of India, My Lords, is London."

And what doors must that unlock! It would be bad enough to make a mistake from the point of view of our own national prestige. It would be worse to make a mistake which might result in the misgovernment and unhappiness of nearly 300 million human beings. But if through such a mistake the misgovernment led to anarchy in India, to a clash between England and her Indian subjects, it would soon develop into a clash between East and West, with such a conflagration, fanned by racial, religious, and cultural rivalries, as the world has not seen since the darkness buried Rome.

### The Nation Listens at Last.

It is good to see (as I saw the other day) two out of five passengers in a third-class carriage reading the report of the Simon Commission. It is good to think that scores of thousands heard the broadcast speeches of Sir John, so true, so lucid, so eloquent, that it is difficult to speak of them without adopting a "gushing" tone which the speaker would simply hate!

For, at last, the truth is recorded, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. At last a Commission, representing all parties, has grappled with a question (the most complicated that ever a Commission attempted) and instead of producing something discordant, dull, and evasive, has faced realities and given us a unanimous document and a practical conclusion. Some of us have spent years in a vain effort to convince others of the accuracy of statements which it is now impossible to challenge. Some of us have spent years in appealing to others to appreciate the magnitude of the issues involved, and urging them to a study of the problems presented. Our audience, whether in the constituencies or in the House, was either bored or incredulous, or both. I know the Commissioners will sympathise with us, and approve our efforts: and we, on the other hand, feel nothing but gladness that, in the main, our position has been vindicated, and the case presented to the world with a completeness and a mastery of detail that nobody has hitherto achieved.

### The Report in Danger.

It is, however, not the question of our justification that matters: it concerns the whole world (I repeat the words deliberately) that these labours shall not be rendered fruitless because some people prefer dreams to facts, and "slogans" to practical remedies. And there is a danger that this report, distinguished from all others I know of by its unanimity and authority, may be pushed aside to moulder among those tons of volumes in the library corridor of the House, which only the pedant or the research-student ever consults.

Last autumn, before the Commission had reported, the Viceroy startled India and Parliament by proclaiming "I am authorised on behalf of His Majesty's Government to state clearly that in their judgment it is implicit in the Declaration of 1917 that the natural issue of India's constitutional progress, as there contemplated, is the attainment of Dominion status."

Oh these pronouncements, and declarations of "National Homes" and "Self-determination" and "Dominion Status," what cobra's eggs they all are! Was that particular one intended to pacify the Indian Congress and appease Mr. Nehru and Mr. Patel?

The answer is written in blood in the bazaars of Peshawar and Calcutta and Sholapur. And now with no sensible reason whatever for adding another word Lord Irwin does it again!

### The Ultimate Court.

Of course, everybody knows that the conclusions of the Commission must be discussed and sanctioned by Parliament. Of course everybody knows (and Sir John Simon has repeated it many times) that

> the Commission went to listen, to learn, and faithfully report our conclusions as to actual conditions and varying proposals from within. When the Commission has reported, the scheme provides for that full and final consultation, which is the essential condition which should be fulfilled before reaching the decision on which so much depends.

He said it when the Commission was first appointed; it was repeated by Mr. Baldwin in the House of Commons; he has spoken it to his multitudinous unseen audience over the wireless. It cannot be improved.

### Lord Irwin's Indiscretion.

And now comes an even rasher utterance from the Viceroy in which he repeats that his premature and mischievous declaration about "Dominion Status" (authorised, as usual, by His Majesty's Government) is the "natural completion of India's constitutional growth. That declaration was made and stands."

He proceeds to discuss the scope and purposes of the "Round Table" Conference (and why, by the way, do all Round Tables have so many awkward corners?) in terms which may be defensible—as so many terms are—but for the fact that the occasion renders them inopportune, and that the audience is certain to misunderstand them or to distort them.

Of course they have been misunderstood, wilfully by some, innocently by others, in India.

### Indian Liberals' Manifesto.

The Liberals in the Legislative Assembly have already issued a manifesto in which they say that "the recommendations of the Simon Commission have failed to satisfy any important section of Indian opinion, and are calculated to hamper and handicap India in the attainment of Dominion Status, the declared objective of most of the political parties of the country and *the avowed ideal of the Government.*"

And then, as usual, the threat follows: "None of us can be fettered as to the course to be pursued if the Conference does not yield the results we expect. Nothing can be lost by participating in the Conference, no point of view need be given up." And, further, in a letter to the *Spectator* (July 12), Sir Phiroze Sethna (leader of the Liberal Federation) uses these very significant words:—

> Now that the *constitutional obstacle represented by the Simon Commission's Report is out of the way*, it should not be difficult, constitutionally or otherwise, for His Majesty's Government to make another declaration to the effect that they would be pleased to submit to Parliament proposals for the establishment of full national responsible Government and Dominion Status, if the deliberations of the Conference should satisfy them that such proposals might well be made.

### Cabinet Weakness.

In short, encouraged by Lord Irwin's two declarations, calculating (not without reason) that Lord Irwin's references to the "authority of His Majesty's Government" indicate a weakness in the present Cabinet, and seeking, as they always have done, to benefit by the revolutionary activities of Gandhi and the Congressmen while affecting to disapprove their methods, the "Liberals" of India hope to talk the Simon Report out and start the controversy all over again.

"It is of no use to criticise the Commission's Scheme," says Sir John, "unless there is another scheme equally detailed and constructive to put in its place." And of any such alternative the alleged leaders of Indian Liberal opinion who have denounced the Report with all the bitterness and contumely at their command, are entirely barren. They expend their strength in high-sounding phrases about Dominion status and "India a Nation," but they seem utterly unable or, at any rate, unwilling to make any solid practical contribution to the problem of evolving a new India which shall be really capable of responsible national government.

That is why the Simon Report, which has fearlessly tackled the problem, with a single desire to find a solution that will be a workable adjustment of Indian conditions to Western ideas of self-government, holds the field as the basis of any change in the government of our great dependency. It is for the nation to see that neither the weakness of the Government nor the windy slogans of impracticable dreamers are allowed to relegate it to the shelf.

# *SUNDAY LAW.*

## *CAROLEAN SURVIVALS.*

### *By ALFRED FELLOWS.*

The prohibition of games on Sundays in public parks and recreation grounds was the subject of controversy at Gunnersbury Park a few months ago, and the issue has been raised even more sharply at Platt's Park, Manchester. The local Council, in charge of the latter park, having made a bye-law forbidding Sunday games, a Councillor who opposed it has taken the step of starting a cricket-match on that day. So far, the attempt merely seems to have resulted in public disorder, the game being broken up, not by park-keepers or constables, but by those opposed to the players' views. Indeed, the only possible excuse for disobeying a bye-law once made would be a formal breach, to invite prosecution for the purpose of testing its validity. For this purpose the pitching of stumps and the bowling of one ball would have sufficed.

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The law as to Sunday recreation mainly depends on the first Act passed in the reign of Charles I., in 1625. Similarly, the statute which still dominates Sunday trading is the Sunday Observance Act of 1677. The text of these measures—that of 1623 refers to bear-baiting, bull-baiting, and neglect of divine service—is obviously out of date. This would not perhaps be of much practical importance if their spirit was in accordance with modern opinion. It may be so in certain rural districts, and even in urban districts in the North and East of England, but is certainly otherwise in London in the twentieth century. Lawn tennis, for example, is played in almost every private garden with a court in London on Sundays, and in innumerable clubs. Given that people who can afford to possess a lawn tennis court, or to belong to a lawn tennis club, can lawfully play their game on Sunday, a veto on the cheaper games of cricket and football may be regarded as unfair. Whether a bye-law forbidding Sunday games altogether is valid is a question on which a lawyer might write a long opinion either way. Perhaps a veto on games requiring the services of an attendant on Sundays might be valid, though the supply of teas and refreshments certainly involves such labour.

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As to Sunday trading, the penalty of offending against the main provision of the Lord's Day Observance Act is five shillings, in default of which the offender must be placed in the stocks publicly for two hours (the pillory has, but the stocks have not, been formally abolished). The Act, in fact, was so disregarded, even in the middle of the nineteenth century, that in 1871 the not very happy expedient was adopted of a temporary Act, afterwards made perpetual, requiring prosecutions to be authorised by the local chief constable or two magistrates. Apart from this legislation, the old Act is, of course, honeycombed with later exceptions, and there are permitted Sunday hours for the sale of drink, though the ordinary calling of a publican can hardly be regarded as a work of necessity or charity within the old statute.

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This state of uncertainty and disregard of written law cannot be deemed satisfactory, and the Carolean statutes require re-moulding and bringing up to date. Probably, indeed, they would have been revised long ago but for the fact that as in the gaming and divorce laws, highly controversial issues would arise, so the task has been shirked by politicians in every party. Having regard to the great local differences of public opinion, possibly the problem can only be solved by some kind of local option. There should be a universal law, however, that, if Sunday trading is to be extended, the available leisure of shop assistants should in no circumstances be curtailed.

# *THEATRE SLUMP.*

## *IS THE DRAMA DECLINING?*

## *MENACE OF THE TALKIES*

### *By JAMES AGATE.*

The present slump and M. Louis Verneuil's prognostication that in ten years the theatre will have given place to the talkies prompt the question: Is the theatre declining? Let me take the slump first. The closing of some fifteen theatres in London is not necessarily evidence supporting a general decline. Roughly half of the plays withdrawn had attained long runs, and their theatres became empty, so to speak, in the course of nature. The other half were plays of insufficient quality to win success even in the most invigorated state of theatre-going. The month is July; and managers, knowing that theatre rents are £400 a week, are returning to the old practice which prevailed when rents were £100 a week—that of closing the theatres in the summer. The new and contrary practice is purely post-war, and dates from the time when the craze for any and every entertainment was so great that hardly any play could fail, even if produced in the dog days.

#### *LONDON'S PLAYGOERS.*

Now about the talkies. It is not sufficiently recognised that many of the millions who go to the cinema have not been theatre-goers at all. A few figures will prove this. The average seating capacity of London's forty theatres is round about 1,200. Given full houses at eight performances a week, the total number of Metropolitan playgoers to be accommodated in a year is under 20 millions. As a matter of guesswork let me put the maximum annual seating accommodation in legitimate theatres in Great Britain at 200 millions. Personally, I should put it at much less. Now, according to the figures published by the last Parliamentary Commission on the Cinema the number of cinema-goers *twelve years ago* was 1,078 millions! This number to-day is, of course, enormously increased, perhaps half as much again. Hence it follows that the great bulk of cinema-goers cannot have been playgoers for the simple reason that they can never have been able to get into the theatres.

The point which concerns the immediate discussion is, how many theatre-goers have been diverted from the theatre. People have only a certain amount of entertainment money, and the cinema is a lawful and alternative, for it cannot be an additional, entertainment which will still be indulged in by people who prefer the theatre. For this theatre managers cannot be blamed. But many people are entirely giving up the theatre, which they prefer, for the cinema, because it is cheaper and more comfortable. For this the managers have themselves to blame. There remains the small number of theatre enthusiasts who are not to be alienated by expense or inconvenience. This class is not numerous enough to keep the modern theatre going, though it will always be there as long as the theatre remains open to receive it.

#### *SOME HARD FACTS—*

Now we come to certain blocks of facts which I shall not have space to weave into an argument. They are these. Quality alone in a play will not ensure success; about Shakespeare we know, and the recent spectacular failure of the best Hamlet for thirty years once more proves the old case. Brilliant acting like that of Lynn Fontanne and Alfred Lunt will not save a play. Of two plays equal in quality and performance it is impossible to predict or explain why one should succeed and the other fail; public taste is wholly capricious. Nearly all musical comedies and buffooneries succeed, though some not markedly inaner than others inexplicably fail. The public will not have plays about low life, or about high life in which there is any high thinking. Every experienced manager knows that the public for a play like "Anna Christie" is 40,000, and that after six weeks he must automatically close his theatre. "Saint Joan" and "Journey's End" are the flukes which are always turning up.

#### *—AND THEIR LESSON.*

From this jumble five things emerge. First, intellectual plays can only be given by commercial managers who, in the intervals of financial successes, can afford to produce them for their souls' sake. The old small public will always be there for these plays, and it will remain small. Second, since the advent of the cinema, people are not going to be bothered with middling successes. They will rush to the theatre or abstain from it; normal, unexcited theatre-going is at an end. Third, there is no longer any mean between huge profits and huge losses; running plays as a quiet, steady business is over. Fourth, the post-war habit of play-gambling when nearly everybody won continues now that nearly everybody loses. Fifth, it is this known readiness to gamble which keeps up the rents of theatres, *and it is these rents and not the cinema which are the real menace to the theatre.* I believe that the gamblers will for some time yet keep the theatre going with alternations of wild successes and wilder failures. The conjunction which must end the theatre will be a break in the flow of gamblers coupled with stabilisation of theatre-rents at present prices. If, when the gamblers drop out, theatre-rentals drop down the normal theatre will again become possible for normal play-producing and for normal playgoers, *provided they have not lost the habit.* I see a real danger here.

#### *A MECHANICAL AGE.*

M. Verneuil insists on the analogy of the disappearing hansom and the conquering taxi. "Not on all fours!" the reader will say, pretending that the talkie cannot be as good as the live player. Except for the stalls I am not so sure, since a life-size Jannings must always be better than a pin-head Bernhardt. Even in the stalls I detect a tendency to find Jannings as thrilling as the flesh-and-blood player. The age is moving to the exaltation of all mechanical things, and it may be that to the mechanically-minded of the future photographed acting will be more attractive than acting itself. We must not deny the possibility because we find the notion repellent.

To conclude, my view is that unless theatre rents come down the theatre as we know it will disappear, while the cinema, in so far as it is becoming wholly vulgar, must conquer. These things having happened, I foresee that the drama will be started all over again in the villages by people who love that art and for whom Shaftesbury Avenue has ceased to cater.

# PARTY TRUCE ON INDIA IN JEOPARDY.

## OPPOSITION CHALLENGE TO CHANGE REVEALED BY VICEROY.

## AUTHORITY OF PARLIAMENT.

## ONLY GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES AT ROUND-TABLE CONFERENCE.

There is good ground for believing that unless the outlook rapidly changes for the better, there is likely to arise a grave Parliamentary situation over India.

The leaders of the Opposition parties, the SUNDAY TIMES learns, are greatly perturbed over some aspects of the Viceroy's speech last week, and other matters relating to the Round Table Conference. It is felt that if a crisis cannot be avoided it would be far better for it to arise immediately than for it to occur after the Conference has met.

Hitherto India has been one of the few questions which have been dealt with on all-party lines. Recent events have rendered the continuance of that truce very difficult, and it may be broken at any moment.

It is understood that the leaders of both Oppositions take the view most strongly that the British representation to the Round Table Conference should be an all-party one. It is learned, however, that the Government are contemplating a Government representation only.

### A TRANSFORMED SITUATION.

#### CONCERN OF THE OPPOSITION.

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

The Viceroy, in his Proclamation last November, announced the intention of the Government to call a Round Table Conference as suggested by Sir John Simon for the purpose of considering the Commission's Report, which, after such agreed amendments as were found desirable, would form the basis of the Government's legislative proposals for submission to Parliament.

But since last November both the purpose and the character of the Conference have been transformed. In the first place, as the Viceroy's speech of last Wednesday makes abundantly clear, the Statutory Commission's Report is not to be the basis for discussion at the Conference. In fact, there does not appear to be anything in the Viceroy's speech to suggest that the Commission's Report will be formally brought before the Conference at all.

***A Profound Change.***

It is held in authoritative Opposition quarters that even the most generous interpretation of the Viceroy's speech indicates a fundamental departure from the original purpose of the Conference as suggested by the Commission and accepted by the Government. It is further held that all the indications show that its purpose now is to frame a constitution for India on Dominion Status lines, with necessary safeguards during a period of transition, and, most important of all, that this purpose seems to have the approval of both Whitehall and Simla.

Moreover, the character of the Conference has also undergone a profound change. This change, in the view of Opposition leaders, is clearly indicated in the following words in the Viceroy's speech:—

From such a definition of the scope of the Conference it is clear that His Majesty's Government conceive of it, not as a mere meeting for discussion and debate, but as a joint assembly of representatives of both countries on whose agreement precise proposals to Parliament may be founded.

These words, of course, must be read in the light of the changed purpose of the Conference.

***Constitutional Issue.***

It is held by some constitutional authorities that this impinges on the authority of Parliament. It is pointed out that Parliament appointed its own Commission, and that Parliament has never formally sanctioned the setting up of such a conference. It is further pointed out that the Viceroy's words seem to imply that any "agreement" arrived at by the Conference might be regarded as having the character of a Treaty which Parliament will be expected to ratify.

Two important questions arise, and are being seriously considered:

(1) Will Parliament acquiesce in the Report of its own Commission being laid on one side, and in the prospect of proposals being laid before it by the Government, as the result of the Conference, which may or may not have the remotest resemblance to the recommendations of the Statutory Commission?

(2) Will Parliament acquiesce in the Conference being given a character which might, and probably would, be regarded in India as a "Treaty making" assembly?

Leaders of both Opposition Parties have been in conference with the Government on these matters. It is only right and proper that the Government should seek to carry the other parties with them. It is equally right and proper that the Opposition leaders should endeavour privately to obtain from the Government assurances on the points over which they are perturbed.

***Awaiting Assurances.***

But if adequate assurances are not obtainable, then it is difficult to see how debates in both Houses can be avoided. In fact, Lord Burnham, who was a member of the Statutory Commission, has given notice of his intention to ask the Government, on Wednesday next:

"Whether, having regard to Lord Irwin's statement at Simla on July 9, the Report of the Indian Statutory Commission will form the main subject of consideration and discussion at the Round-Table Conference which is to assemble here in November."

The debate in the House of Lords will give the Government an opportunity of publicly explaining its intentions. If the Government's explanations and assurances are not considered adequate, there seems no escape from the official Oppositions having to raise the matter formally in both Houses.

Linked with the change in the purpose and character of the Conference is the question of the composition of the British representation on the Conference. The apprehensions of the Conservative Party were indicated by the question put to the Secretary of State by Sir Austen Chamberlain last Wednesday, when Mr. Benn was unable to give any definite information on this matter.

### "LOOPHOLE OF ESCAPE."

#### MODERATE VIEW OF VICEROY'S SPEECH.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CALCUTTA, Saturday.

The political situation in India is at present one of stalemate. Liberals, Moslems, and other moderates and minorities, who wholeheartedly condemned the Simon Report, have now been given a loophole of escape from their predicament through the Viceroy's speech, in which they see an advance upon previous declarations, enabling them, therefore, to accept the Conference offer. Congressites, on the other hand, are irreconcilable. They view the most recent offer suspiciously, and contend that Lord Irwin's pious platitudes are useless. They refuse to consider the position unless the Government abjectly surrender everywhere.

Police raids on Congress officers, arrests of innumerable volunteers, mostly juveniles and students, are reported daily throughout the country, mainly for picketing or the instigation of offences. Occasionally the police have been forced to charge the crowds, and minor injuries have been inflicted. Otherwise the situation in most provinces is easier this week, the exception being Bombay, where, supported financially by anti-British mill-owners, the movement continues active. This action has its repercussions, since the boycotts and hartals are adversely affecting all trade and resulting in heavy losses all round, and also in a Stock Market slump in Indian industrials. Although capitalists are now endeavouring to induce Congress to change its policy, it is felt that the move is too late, as, apparently, the Left Wingers, who completely control the movement, refuse to listen to reason.

The Bombay Congressmen's proposal to boycott British banks and start their own exchange bank is received here smilingly, the head of a leading bank commenting that Indians must go to London, and therefore they would be "in the soup" if British banks refuse to co-operate; also that the capital suggested is most inadequate, and Indian commercial circles from past experience have little trust in indigenous banks.

### LOOK AHEAD.

#### PREMIER'S ADVICE TO EXTREMISTS.

The following reference to India was made last night by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald:—

"Men with whom we wish to co-operate have had to be arrested for actions which, if they themselves had been responsible for a purely Indian Government, faced with conditions such as those they have created recently, would have compelled the arrest of the people responsible for these conditions.

"The whole of this is a melancholy thing, and unnecessary and foolish. Men who are going to be Governors of States and responsible for administration, ought to look ahead and understand the conditions under which alone evolution and change are possible."

The speech is reported on page 18.

#### NO POSTPONEMENT.

There is no intention on the part of the Government, the SUNDAY TIMES learns, to postpone the holding of the Round-Table Conference from October 20 to a date in November, as has been suggested.

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### ECONOMY PATH TO PROSPERITY.

#### NEW MANIFESTO TO BE ISSUED.

#### THE BANKERS' VIEWS CONTESTED.

The SUNDAY TIMES understands that an influentially signed pronouncement will be issued this week calling for a return to economy in national administration. This document contests, in some measure, the views expressed in the manifesto of the bankers.

The signatories to the new manifesto submit that national prosperity will be restored by the reducing of the burden of taxation rather than by the imposition of tariff duties as advocated by the bankers.

"The argument is," a representative of the SUNDAY TIMES was informed last night, "that the tendency of every fresh political programme is to swamp what some men in all parties regard as the overmastering need of an early reduction of national expenditure with its corollary of a lightening of direct taxation.

"A manifesto endeavouring to recall the nation to first principles in finance might have the effect of staking out a new claim in the political field, and if franked by names which are accepted as authoritative, it might contribute to a clarifying of a situation in which certain overlapping of party policies is confusing more than one issue. "Both requirements," it was added, "should be fulfilled by the coming declaration."

**THE HUNGER ARGUMENT.**

Mr. Henry Bell, a director of Lloyds Bank, criticised the Bankers' Manifesto, when speaking yesterday at a fête at Dunford House, Heyshott, near Midhurst, the home of Cobden. "That document," he said, "is couched in the sloppiest English I have ever read. It needed a grammarian to put it right. This country has been hungry once, and it does not propose to be hungry again."

The bankers of the world, including America and every country in Europe, were in dead opposition to the policy of the manifesto, Mr. Bell added. Their position was clear. They were not fair-weather Free Traders, but Free Traders to the end of their lives.

### FISCAL POLICY.

#### SUGGESTED MEETINGS IN THE CITY.

"The bankers' resolution has inspired investors with fresh hopes, already reflected to some extent in Stock Exchange values," writes Mr. R. J. Barrett, Financial Editor of the SUNDAY TIMES, in City Chatter on Page 2.

Mr. Barrett suggests that, in addition to the bankers, other representatives of the financial and commercial world should express their opinion on the subject of fiscal policy. "The country," he says, "would welcome authoritative guidance from such quarters on what has become a vital economic issue."

He recalls that the last time that fiscal policy was a matter of acute national controversy meetings in the City were addressed by protagonists of both sides. He suggests that a similar course should be adopted.

### GOVERNMENT DEFEAT AT SIMLA.

#### VOTE AGAINST REPORT.

SIMLA, Saturday.

The Government was defeated in the Legislative Assembly to-day by sixty votes to forty-eight on a Nationalist amendment reducing by 100 rupees the supplementary grant to cover the expenses of the Round-Table Conference.

The Leader of the House, Sir George Rainy, said that although the vote might be interpreted as a general disapproval of the Simon Report, it would not absolve the members of the Indian Delegation to the Round-Table Conference from studying the report in detail.

The rest of the grant to the Round-Table Conference expenses was voted without a division.—*Reuter.*

### THE KING.

#### OFFICIAL DINNERS AT THE PALACE.

Although this week contains a number of private functions for the King and Queen, their Majesties are comparatively free of any public engagements.

To-morrow the King, who will be joined by the Queen, will receive the delegates to the Colonial Conference, which is holding its meetings at Downing Street. The delegates will be accompanied by their ladies.

On Tuesday evening the King holds the first of two official dinners at Buckingham Palace, when about sixty guests will be present. They will include members of the Diplomatic Corps, Cabinet Ministers, and the senior officials of Government Departments. The second dinner will be held on the 22nd.

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| **Leyland, c Kppax, b Wall** | 44 |
| **Geary, run out** | 0 |
| **Duckworth, not out** | 0 |
| **Extras** | 11 |
| **Total (5 wkts.)** | 212 |

**A. P. F. Chapman, Tate, Larwood, and Tyldesley to bat.**

Full score and description on page 20.

**From OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.**

LEEDS, Saturday.

Defence not defiance, it was early apparent, would have to be England's motto in the third Test match, which was continued at Headingley ground to-day. To look at the wicket seemed all right, but that it was not the batsman's paradise of yesterday was soon made manifest.

Bradman and McCabe began as though another long stand might be in prospect, but McCabe was not long in going; Richardson soon followed him; and then a great roar from a crowd that before lunch was over 20,000 and later must have been fully 30,000 strong greeted the downfall of Bradman, whose triumphant mastery yesterday over the bowling might of England will go down in cricket history, and be talked of wherever cricketers meet so long as the game shall last.

It was Duckworth, greatest of present-day wicket-keepers, who took a smart catch off Tate to bring about the downfall of the greatest of present-day batsmen. Bradman had scored 334, and if that is deducted from the Australians' total of 566, it will be seen what his prowess meant to his side. When his innings finished it was a cricket epic come to an end. The previous highest score in Test matches was the late R. E. Foster's 287.

It is not necessary to say much about the remainder of the Australian batsmen to-day. They came and they went.

England's task was formidable enough in all conscience, and faith in the capacity of our batsmen to challenge the Australians' figures received two comparatively unexpected shocks. Hobbs and Sutcliffe, the "reliables" of the Motherland, opened, as usual, but Hobbs had only scored 29 when he was caught by A'Beckett off Grimmett near the wicket. It was a near thing, and there was something of a scene over it. The Surrey batsman obviously did not think he was out. A'Beckett had fallen in taking the ball, and Hobbs seemed to think it touched the ground. The crowd shouted "Not out" while the two umpires consulted, and Hobbs waited anxiously. The decision went against him and he had to go. He walked from the wicket a disappointed man. Sutcliffe, without his partner, did not stay long, and so England lost her opening pair with still 500 runs leeway to make up. The crowd became silent and apprehensive. England was passing through her bad hour.

The best stand of the day came when Leyland joined Hammond, and the spirits of England's supporters rose as this couple batted steadily and well. But Leyland was caught when they had added 82, and Geary, who came next, departed—run out—without scoring. The situation was then almost desperate, and Chapman showed a captain's wisdom in sending in Duckworth to partner Hamomnd for the time that remained, reserving himself, Tate, Larwood and Tyldesley for Monday, when England have to add 205 runs to their total if they are to avoid the follow-on.


**"AS WE WERE"**

***A Victorian Peepshow.***

**By E. F. BENSON.**

The son of one of our most distinguished Primates, and himself a writer who, since in 1893 he came at once to the front with his brilliant Society novel, "Dodo," has held an established position among our novelists, Mr. Benson has come into intimate contact with most of the leading figures in Society, politics, and the arts during the last forty years, and his reminiscences, which are to be published in the autumn by Messrs Longmans, will engage the reader by their keen observation and characteristically racy comment on men and manners. The

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has accordingly arranged for the serial publication of excerpts from the book, and the first instalment will appear on

**Sunday Next, July 20.**


### BRADMAN'S THANKS.

#### HOPES TO MEET HIS BENEFACTOR.

While play was in progress at Leeds a telegram was received by Mr. W. L. Kelly, the Australian manager, from Mr. Arthur Whitelaw, a wealthy Australian living in London. The telegram read:

"Kindly convey my congratulation to Bradman and tell him I wish him to accept £1,000 as a token of my admiration for his wonderful performance."

The telegram was handed first to Woodfull, the Australian captain, who read it and then, at the end of an over, he hurried over to Bradman and patted him on the back. Bradman read the message, stuffed the telegram in his pocket, and then, apparently without concern, went on fielding.

Later he sent the following reply to Mr. Whitelaw:—"I cannot express in words my deep appreciation of your wonderful offer. I hope to thank you personally at an early date."

**SIR THOMAS LIPTON.**

Sir Thomas Lipton, who has been suffering from a cold, was stated last night to be "going on well."

### POLITICAL NOTES

#### MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S PETARD.

#### LORD BIRKENHEAD AND INDIA.

By OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

The Government have had some close shaves in the lobby, but that of Wednesday last could not have been much narrower, for their actual majority was only two. Mr. Lloyd George's action in forcing the division has been much canvassed, and has aroused much resentment in the Liberal ranks. One explanation put forward is that he wanted to give the Government a shake-up and a reminder of their dependence on the Liberal Party, but that he did not intend to defeat them, being quite unprepared for the support of the Conservatives in full strength. Of course, this presumes that if the Government had been defeated they would have resigned. But is that so sure? Despite their success in North Norfolk, their stock is falling steadily, and they have behind them, as was shown on Friday, a disgruntled and mutinous following. To have accepted defeat on Wednesday could not have been more humiliating than their abject surrender to their extremists two days later.

**India.**

The view that it is neither politic nor reasonable to raise the question of India yet in Parliament goes by the board now that the debate in the Lord's is announced. Although the final arrangements remain uncertain, it seems likely that on Wednesday the issue will be started in the Upper House on a motion of Lord Burnham's. There is great hope that Lord Birkenhead will make his first appearance in debate since his illness. He is much better, but still weak, and intends to leave in August for a three months' cruise round the Greek Islands. The debate will give him the chance of stating his views, and he will do so with no diminution of force or decision. He believes that the expressions of good will from the Viceroy have been premature, and that unfair use of them will be made by the Government to avoid using the Simon Commission's recommendations. He also thinks that India will reject every advance of the Viceroy's and the Government's, and that trouble and outrage will revive and increase as a result of their joint attempts to still the storm by feeding it with drops of honey and oil.

**The Government and Agriculture.**

Ministerialists were indubitably anxious about the North Norfolk election, and were greatly relieved by the result, even though the majority was slender. They admit, however, that the Government must promulgate an agricultural policy without delay, and Dr. Addison has apparently been giving close attention to the subject. It is presumed that the Government will rule out the denunciation of the Anglo-German Commercial Treaty of 1924 on the ground that for the purpose of dealing with a comparatively restricted problem such as bounty-fed cereals they could not endanger large-scale trade in manufactured articles, supported to an appreciable extent by most favoured treatment between the two countries. Efforts will, therefore, be made to deal with bounty-fed cereals in direct negotiation with the German Government.

Meanwhile, the idea of a compulsory quota of British wheat for milling purposes and for bread is being revived; and plans will also be proposed for the marketing of agricultural commodities on a comprehensive basis. Most members of the Government believe that it will be necessary to have compulsion to bring in minorities, on the analogy of the Coal Mines Bill, but that will be more difficult in agriculture than it is in coal, and probably the first step will be to secure the result by agreement. A Parliamentary statement is unlikely before the summer recess; but it may be expected in the early autumn, particularly as Labour rank and file are insisting that their prospects in agricultural constituencies depend very much on a definite lead from the Government.

**The Coal Mines Bill.**

There is little chance, I hear from Ministerial sources, of the Coal Mines Bill being lost. One or two of the miners' representatives in Parliament are making bellicose declarations; but the only outstanding point now between the two Houses is the spread-over in working hours, since it is assumed that the House of Lords will not press further objection to the changes which the Government have made.

In its revised form the spread-over is purely permissive, and could only come into operation if the existing district machinery of the owners and the miners agreed. The real trouble is the comparative weakness of the miners' organisation and the possibility that certain districts might vote for a spread-over, and so endanger uniformity of hours in the coalfields, which it was one of the objects of the Bill to promote. On the other hand, the operation of the spread-over will be practically confined to a few months, as the Act of 1926 expires next July, and, in the event of the House of Lords refusing further concession, the miners' representatives may not improbably be persuaded to accept what will be represented as little more than a paper declaration.

**Labour and Tariffs.**

Parliamentary Labour opinion on the tariff issue has fluctuated a good deal. Two weeks ago there were marked signs that, particularly under pressure from the iron and steel industry, the Government might on balance be favourable to a duty. But it now seems likely that the Conservative vote of censure, which raises the tariff issue in an acute form, will rally the Free Trade strength of the Government. If, as is hinted, Mr. Snowden and the Prime Minister reply for the Government, they will, I hear, together resist the Conservative proposals for the denunciation of commercial agreements which preclude treatment of the problem of bounty-fed cereals; they will, if with less enthusiasm, maintain the Labour position on the Safeguarding Duties; and they will make the most of proposals to tax imported food and raw materials. Still, fiscal decisions apart, they will probably make a strong plea for every effort at the coming Imperial Conference to achieve a generous measure of co-operation with the Dominions and Colonies.

Conservatives will no doubt urge that if in effect a comprehensive decision is taken on the fiscal question there can be little hope of reciprocal arrangements. To that the Government may offer a list of problems which in their judgment are fertile field for co-operation, and need not involve this country in the taxation of either food or raw materials, or in difficulty regarding its importation of manufactured articles such as would bring it into direct or indirect conflict with other and important foreign markets on which British trade depends.

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### "LEFT BEHIND DYING."

#### AUSTRALIAN FLYER'S FATE

#### PILOT'S STATEMENT.

RANGOON, Saturday.

Mr. James Matthews, one of the airmen on the flight from England to Australia, has arrived at Prome. It is stated that Mr. T. Hook, his companion in the flight, had to be left behind in a dying condition. No further details have been received up to the present.—*Reuter.*

Prome is in the southern part of Burma. Mr. Matthews and Mr. Hook left Lympne for Australia on June 20. They were attempting to beat Mr. Bert Hinkler's record. Mr. Matthews, the pilot, had been previously employed as a mechanic by Mr. Hinkler. Mr. Hook was a man of independent means, and was financing the venture.

On July 3 the airmen left Akyal, Burma, for Rangoon. They were last seen flying low, apparently in difficulties, and heading for an impenetrable jungle infested by tigers and leopards, behind which is the very high peak of Arakan Yomas. It was feared that they had crashed either in the jungle or on Yomas.

### FATHER'S RIGHT TO KILL.

#### U.S. MURDER PROBLEM.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

New York State is faced with the problem of another "murder of mercy," and must soon determine the fate of Andrew Beers, of Walton, New York, who confessed to-day that he killed his crippled mentally defective daughter to remove her from the possibility of unkind treatment after he was dead.

Beers said he intended to commit suicide after the deed, but his nerve failed him, and he surrendered to the police. Since his wife died a year ago, Beers, who is 78 years old, devotedly attended his 27-year-old daughter Frances, and it was the fear he would soon die and leave her in the indifferent care of strangers that gave him an "irresistible impulse" to kill.

First he tried arsenic, then Paris green, and, both poisons failing, took an ice-pick and hammered it through his daughter's brain.

### TRAM RUNS INTO RIVER.

#### 60 PASSENGERS DROWNED.

BUENOS AYRES, Saturday.

At least sixty persons lost their lives to-day when a tramcar fell into the little river known as the Riacho, which separates Buenos Ayres from the town of Avellaneda. The tram should have crossed by a cantilever bridge made of two sections.

It is believed that the driver, owing to the heavy fog prevailing at the time, failed to see that one section of the bridge was open, and ran his tram into the river. The passengers were trapped within, and only three, who were seated on the rear platform, escaped. Most of the victims were labourers who were going to work.

Buenos Ayres has been greatly shocked by the tragedy, and a public subscription has been opened for the relatives of the victims. —*Reuter.*

### LUDENDORFF'S CHOICE

#### MR. CHURCHILL ON LAST GERMAN OFFENSIVE.

The most fateful weeks of the war—when the German troops, released by Russia's collapse, were thrown against the Allies in the West—are dealt with by Mr. Winston Churchill in an article which will appear in the *Daily Telegraph* to-morrow.

He describes how Ludendorff, then virtually dictator of Germany, had to make a decision on which momentous results depended. The French were reduced to the strictest form of defensive; the British were waterlogged in Flanders; the Americans were still remote.

"Now was the time for German statecraft to extricate the Empire from the hideous catastrophe into which it had blundered," writes Mr. Churchill. "Even as late as January or February, 1918, if Germany had offered the full restoration of Belgium, a settlement with France about Alsace-Lorraine, coupled with a scheme of German gains from Russia, a basis for negotiation might well have been established."

Why Ludendorff rejected this course in favour of a last great offensive, and why he chose to attack on the St. Quentin sector, is explained in Mr. Churchill's masterly analysis.

### ETON'S FORTY-FIRST WIN.

#### HARROW DEFEATED BY EIGHT WICKETS.

#### ATKINSON-CLARK'S FINE INNINGS.

#### DEADLY BOWLING BY PELHAM.

***Eton 284 and 46 for 2.***
***Harrow 199 and 130.***

By a margin of eight wickets, Eton yesterday achieved their forty-first victory at Lord's over Harrow, who have not defeated their deadly rivals since 1908.

The overnight score—Harrow, 199; Eton, 181 for six wickets—had left Eton in a strong position. A feature of yesterday's play was the fine century for the winners by J. C. Atkinson-Clark, who carried his Friday's total of 58 to 135 before being bowled by Lawrence. His side's total was 284, and Harrow's reply was not very convincing.

They were dismissed for 130, victims mainly of the splendid bowling by A. G. Pelham (four for 23) and R. Page (four for 28). With only 46 runs needed to win, Eton reached that total at the expense of two wickets.

Atkinson-Clark's batting was really the turning point of the day's cricket, though Pelham's fine bowling during the Harrow second innings helped him to achieve the remarkably fine average for the match of eleven wickets for 44 runs. But the Harrow bowling yesterday was also far from negligible in quality, and the losers' fielding was of the highest class, facts which made Atkinson-Clark's performance all the more meritorious. He reached his century with a beautiful leg shot to the boundary, but before attaining that figure had hit four successive boundaries off Covington. All told he achieved twenty 4's before failing to time a ball from Lawrence.

**A STUBBORN STAND.**

Harrow's start was a poor one, for R. D. Stewart-Brown was bowled by Hanbury when the score was only 3, and Page sent G. F. Hazlewood back to the pavilion with but 14 runs on the board. Then F. E. Covington and J. M. Stow made a stubborn stand, but runs came slowly, and seventy minutes had passed before the first 50 was reached.

The luncheon score was 57 for two, of which Covington had made 27. He got 6 more before falling to Pelham soon after the latter was put on for the first time, and his total was the highest individual score made during the innings. Two runs later Page dislodged Stow's leg stump. W. M. Welch, though he made only 13, scored two 6's in succession off N. E. W. Baker, and in so doing wiped out Harrow's first innings deficit. A. S. Lawrence also indulged in some hard hitting before gettin out lbw to Hogg, but the "tail" made a poor show, though Casas had got 11 runs, 4 from two overthrows, before the innings closed for 130.

Atkinson-Clark went "all out" for the Harrow bowling when Eton returned to the wickets, and got 31 of the required 46 before being caught by Yarrow behind the stumps. It was C. E. W. Sheepshanks, however, who got the two last runs required to pass the Harrow total.

The game is described on page 20.

### A FESTIVAL OF YOUTH.

#### BRILLIANT GATHERING.

By OUR SOCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

The sun failed to justify the faith shown in it by a large number of girls who were at Lord's in ethereal dresses and opaque, if wide, hats. It shone for a brief quarter of an hour or so when most people were at lunch. Clouds and fresh breezes had no power to interfere with an occasion which is a festival of youth, so full of the glow and vigour and joy of it that members of older generations go to be refreshed by the sight of the very ornamental boys and girls.

The Duke of Gloucester arrived soon after eleven, and after a time in the members' stand went to a grand stand box, where he was joined by Prince Arthur of Connaught and later by Captain and Lady Maud Carnegie, who wore a very neat dark blue short coat and skirt, a small dark blue hat, and a sable tie.

The Duchess of Devonshire was early in her box in the clock tower, and was wearing a dress of beige-coloured marquisette with a dark brown straw hat having silver quills at one side. Lady Anne Hunloke, who was in jade green, with a coarse satin straw hat in the same colour, left after lunch. Lady Dorothy Macmillan, in dark blue, wore a wide-brimmed white straw hat with a light blue band.

There were the usual family parties which are typical of this function of the season. The Duchess of Buccleuch, in a dove-grey crêpe-de-Chine coat and skirt, the coat deeply embroidered in silk to match, and wearing a small grey straw hat trimmed


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with darker grey ribbon, was with Lady Angela Scott, who wore a printed ankle-length chiffon dress of floral design on a dark ground and a large black flower-trimmed hat. The Rev. the Marquis of Normanby was accompanied by Lady Normanby, in black lace with an Eton-blue favour, and wearing a black straw and lace hat, and by Lady Elizabeth and Lady Katharine Phipps, whose summer frocks were of silken muslin, and the Earl of Mulgrave.

The Earl of Bessborough brought Lady Bessborough, wearing a navy blue coat and skirt with a long tie of summer ermine and a small black hat. With them were an Eton son and a little daughter in blue. The Earl of Clarendon was with Lady Joan Villiers, whose pretty dress was of ivory and pale reseda green foulard in an all-over design, and who wore a thin straw black hat; with them was an Eton boy.

Field-Marshal Viscount Plumer, whose interest in cricket never lessens, was early in one of the new boxes with Lady Plumer, whose dress was black, and with it was worn pearl and turquoise ornaments. Their daughter, the Hon. Mrs. Brooke, wore a tucked and embroidered black chiffon dress under a black coat with a white fox collar and a cyclamen scarf matched by shoes. A large black straw hat was worn. Viscountess Bridgeman was in the president's box and wore a georgette and lace dress of a pretty shade of reseda green with a black hat and a black coat.

Lady Studd, who was hostess to several parties during the day, including Lord and Lady Hailsham, had a dress of Italian lace in cream colour over grey, and wore a large cream-coloured staw hat with a black band. Lord Wraxall brought Lady Wraxall, in black, and the Hon. Doreen Gibbs, his schoolgirl daughter, in pale blue. Lord and Lady Gainford had a drag on the mound. Lady Gainford in black, with an Eton favour and a cross fox fur, watched the cricket from the box seat. Major Colin MacRae had a drag, and with him was Miss MacRae, in a pretty silken muslin frock, a black hat, and a long coat. Lady Trenchard wore a long dove-coloured thin cloth coat and a dark-blue wide-brimmed hat with silver and black flowers round the crown.

**BISHOPS PRESENT.**

A number of Bishops were relieving Congress with cricket, especially in the afternoon. Viscount Churchill was accompanied by Lady Churchill, cosily clad in a neat pale-blue cloth coat over a skirt the same colour, and wearing a small, close, pale-blue felt hat. Lady Perrott brought her two daughters, Miss Priscilla and Miss Helena Perrott. The second, a singularly successful débutante of this season, wore a dress of chiffon and net in primrose green and yellow, and a big summer hat to match in colour. Lady Dorothy Ashley-Cooper with a dull red chiffon dress wore a black hat and coat. Lady (Edward) Beauchamp, in cinnamon-coloured summer cloth, and wearing a hat to match, was with her son and daughter-in-law, Sir Brograve and Lady Evelyn Beauchamp. Mrs. Baldwin, a real cricket-lover, was talking with her daughter, Mrs. Gordon Munro, whose black-and-gold dress was worn with a black coat and small satin straw black hat.

The Earl of Midleton brought Lady Midleton, who wore a long, dark blue coat over a printed chiffon dress in tones of violet and blue, and wore a dark blue straw hat trimmed with dull blue flowers. With the Hon. Francis Curzon was Mrs. Curzon, in a neat dark blue coat and skirt. Their little daughter was in pale blue. Lord William Cecil was accompanied by Lady William, who was very smartly dressed in gazelle-coloured and brown panne velvet and georgette. A brown straw hat was worn with brown roses at one side. Mr. D. R. Jardine, whose engagement was recently announced, was in a grand stand box, as were Lord Dunglass, Mr. Harcourt Gold, Mr. Guy Nickalls, of sculling fame, and the Right Hon. F. S. Jackson.

Mrs. Claude Rome was on the box-seat of her husband's drag, wearing a beige-coloured dress and a pale grey coat and hat. Lady Mullins and Princess George Imeretinsky were on Sir John Mullins's coach. Sir John Gilmour brought Lady Gilmour and Miss Gilmour. Colonel E. F. Lawson was with his wife, who wore a black foulard dress patterned all over in parchment colour, a black coat and a small black coarse satin straw hat. Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Amery came together, Mrs. Amery in a printed chiffon gown under a black coat and with a large natural coloured straw hat having a black band.

## MISSING VICE-CONSUL.

### WAS MR. R. A. LEE KIDNAPPED?

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

MARSEILLES, Saturday.

There is still no trace of Mr. Reginald Arthur Lee, the British Vice-Consul at Marseilles, who has now been missing for a week from his home in Rue Valence.

Opinion is now growing that Mr. Lee has been the victim of drug traffickers. Last month the police made a seizure of cocaine and heroin intended for shipment to the East, and it is suggested that Mr Lee gave the information which led to the discovery and the arrest of two Turks.

In his former posts at Havanna and Savannah, Mr. Lee had taken an active part in the suppression of the drug traffic. He had considerable knowledge of the methods of the traffickers who, it is evident enough, had sufficient reason for seeking his removal.

The SUNDAY TIMES was informed at the Foreign Office yesterday evening that no information of any sort had been received of Mr. Lee. Apprehensions were entertained that the worst had befallen him.

Mr. Lee's widowed mother left London yesterday for Marseilles, accompanied by her other son, Dr. C. H. Lee.

"Mrs. Lee," it was stated, "is inclined to believe that her son is in the hands of people engaged in drug trafficking. He has always, in the course of his duties, waged a very determined war against these smugglers, and has had ships searched and discovered cocaine and other drugs hidden away in the most unlikely places."

## IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN ITEMS.

Ruhr miners have lost over £3,000,000 in wages during the first half of this year. Nearly 40,000 miners have been dismissed in that period and some 5,000,000 compulsory holiday shifts have been enforced.

Dean H. M. Fenger, Clerk of the King's Closet since 1915, died on Friday night in Copenhagen at the age of 80. He held the Grand Cross of Dannebrog, and was highly esteemed in the Danish Royal Family.

The Prince of Asturias paid a visit to the Barcelona Exhibition on Friday, and explained to the engineer, Senor Buigas, the proposal for a "Travelling Exhibition" in a ship to carry the principal products of Spain to the ports of the world.

The Marshal of the Swedish Court has issued a formal denial of Dutch Press reports regarding the forthcoming betrothal of Princess Juliana, the only child of the Queen of Holland, to a Swedish Prince. The report is also denied in several quarters in Holland.

The Irish Free State has deposited with the Secretariat of the League of Nations at Geneva the instruments of ratification of the declaration accepting the optional clause of the Protocol in regard to the Permanent Court of International Justice which involves recognition of the compulsory jurisdiction of the Court for certain classes of juridical disputes.

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## A BIT OF OLD ENGLAND.

[*Specially drawn for the* SUNDAY TIMES *by Hanslip Fletcher.*

**A Tudor house, the old White Horse Inn of the Market Place, Bishop's Stortford. The house is threatened with demolition, and the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings is urging that this characteristic bit of old England should be preserved.**

## AIR CRASH IN THE ALPS.

### MYSTERY MACHINE.

### ANTI-FASCIST "BOMBS" DROPPED ON MILAN.

BERNE, Saturday.

It is officially announced that yesterday evening an aeroplane crashed in the St. Gothard fortified military area, which is forbidden to aeroplanes. A storm was raging in the mountains at the time. The machine was destroyed, and the injured pilot was taken to the hospital at Andermatt.

The pilot bears an Italian name, and the machine belongs to the proprietor of an aviation journal in Paris.

It is reported though without any official confirmation, that the aeroplane was on its way back from Milan, where it had been dropping anti-Fascist pamphlets on various parts of the city, and that it lost its way while returning to Paris. An anti-Fascist manifesto which has been found among the wreckage would seem to establish this conclusively.—*Reuter.*

An Exchange message from Geneva says that the pilot of the aeroplane was seriously injured. It appears that his name is Pacelli, and that he had flown over Milan distributing anti-Fascist propaganda. Monks of the St. Gothard Hospice heard the machine crash among the rocks. The Swiss military authorities have seized all papers from the machine, including three passports.

ROME, Saturday.

An official announcement states that among the packages of anti-Fascist and anti-Militarist literature dropped by an aeroplane over Milan yesterday was one weighing 13 lb., which pierced the roof of a factory.

The aeroplane, it is added, is probably the one which is reported to have crashed in the St. Gothard district after crossing the Swiss-Italian frontier.—*Exchange.*

## LORD HUNSDON'S REPLY.

### NO SURRENDER TO CRITICS.

"No, I certainly have no intention of resigning. I see no reason why I should," declared Lord Hunsdon yesterday, when asked whether he intended to resign his position as chairman of the Public Works Loan Board, in view of the Labour criticism levelled at him in the House of Commons on Friday.

"I have been on the board for nearly half a century," Lord Hunsdon added, "but I am still desirous of continuing my work. Of course, if Parliament feels that it wants a new chairman, that is a different matter."

Lord Hunsdon emphasised that the board's work was non-political, and consisted of examining recommendations put forward by the Ministry of Health. Lord Hunsdon has now almost completely recovered from the severe attack of pneumonia which has confined him to his house since January.

## LATE NEWS

**U.S. GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.**

(See this page, column 5.)

Completed aggregates:—Lacey 295, Olin Dutra 305, Macdonald Smith 289, Horton Smith 292, Farrell 299, Craig Wood 300, Mr. Von Elm 301, Mr. Goodman 301, Turnesa 303, Shute 305.

**POLICEMEN INJURED IN MOTOR CRASH.**

Two Poplar policemen—Police Constable Stead and Police Constable Bobbett—were injured last night when the motor-cycle on which they were riding collided with a motor-van in Cavendish Road, Balham. The constables were first taken to Weir Hospital, and later to St. Thomas's Hospital, where they were detained.

## NEW LIGHTS OF LONDON.

### AUTOMATIC TRAFFIC CONTROL.

### TESTS AT LUDGATE CIRCUS.

A new system of traffic regulation, consisting of coloured lights, manipulated by a policeman in a control tower, was on trial at Ludgate Circus yesterday.

A signal standard bearing red, amber, and green lights, one below the other, now stands on the left of each of the four converging streets. The red light warns drivers to stop; the green spells "go"; the amber sign is a warning of an impending change.

On the day of their inauguration the lights became one of the sights of London. Their success for the purpose for which they were intended may be open to argument. There is no disputing that they added to the gaiety of Ludgate Circus after dark. The twinkling signals attracted large crowds of onlookers, who had assembled to take part in a new diversion—spotting defaulters.

Whenever a car bonnet crept out of its turn across the white line a sigh of satisfaction would go up as the discomfited driver would be moved back and initiated into the mystery of the signals.

**TAXI-DRIVER OFFENDERS.**

The police were gentle with uninstructed offenders. A small messenger-boy came slipping through from Blackfriars Road whistling gaily. Two large police officers converged on him. There followed a short colloquy, the cycle was turned about, and the rider was led to gaze earnestly at a standard, the while the constable at the controls obliged with a demonstration.

Is the new system, which is being given its first test in London, a success? It is rather early to pronounce.

"Of course," a police officer on duty told a representative of the SUNDAY TIMES, last night, "you cannot properly judge to-day whether it will be a success. There is so much less traffic through the Circus on a Saturday. So far only a dozen or so motorists have gone wrong. Taxi-drivers are the worst offenders. Personally, I would rather stand in the street and regulate the traffic in the old way.

"Wait until Monday morning, then it will be a merry-go-round," he added darkly, as he took his turn at the levers.

**CONTROL OF PEDESTRIANS.**

In addition to the policeman working the controls, another officer stood in the Circus to chase and turn back offenders. He was kept equally busy, however, clearing away pedestrians who crowded around the control box and at the street corners. "It strikes me," commented one of the patient traffic controllers, "that it will be necessary to have another set of lights to direct pedestrians."

If the automatic control of traffic at this its first test in the City is found to be a success its use will be extended to other busy centres.

## BRITAIN AND THE SCHNEIDER TROPHY.

### AIR MINISTRY'S ATTITUDE.

The position of Great Britain in regard to next year's Schneider Trophy Air Race is to be raised again in the House of Commons. Mr. J. F. Horrabin, the Labour M.P. for Peterborough, will this week ask the Under-Secretary of State for Air if his department will consider "the advisability of removing the conditions attaching to the loan of the Supermarine S6 and Gloster-Napier seaplanes."

The Air Ministry has already announced officially in the House that it will lend machines to the Royal Aero Club to participate in the 1931 race, but the conditions of the offer include the insurance of each machine for £20 000. It has also been stated that no R.A.F. pilots will be allowed to fly in the contest.

It is suggested that unless these conditions are modified it would be impossible for this country to defend the trophy against the challenges of other countries.

**LADY KATHARINE HAMILTON.**

It is announced that the wedding of Lieut.-Colonel Reginald Seymour, C.V.O., and Lady Katharine Hamilton will take place very quietly on Wednesday, August 6, in King Henry VII. Chapel, Westminster Abbey.

Lieut.-Colonel Seymour is Equerry to the King. Lady Katharine is the youngest daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Abercorn.

**ROYAL SHOW RECORD**

The Royal Show at Manchester closed yesterday, when alla ttendance records for the final day for the last eight years were broken. The total for yesterday was 40,025, compared with 26,359 at Harrogate last year, and 38,175 when the show was held in Manchester in 1916.

**100 DEAD IN U.S. HEAT WAVE.**

CHICAGO, Saturday.

One hundred people have died as a result of the terrible heat wave in the Mississippi Valley.—*Central News.*

## AMERICAN WHEAT PRICES.

### LOWEST IN 17 YEARS.

### THE F.F.B. AND THE FARMERS.

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

NEW YORK, Saturday.

America's wheat situation appears to be getting worse instead of better, and to-day the Federal Farm Board, which already has on hand 60,000,000 bushels of wheat purchased with public funds, was called upon by the indignant farmers to purchase 100,000,000 additional bushels in an effort to raise quotations from the lowest levels they have touched in seventeen years.

It is a case of acting now or never, according to the farmers, if the Government expects to offer any substantial relief. It is expected that the new wheat crop will exceed 807,000,000 bushels—a trifle more than last year's bumper harvest, much of which is still unabsorbed.

Whether Mr. Alexander Legge, the chairman of the Farm Board, will act on the demand remains to be seen. Mr. Legge, it is believed, now realises the futility of trying to maintain an artificial price for wheat with Government funds, and in his tour of the Middle-Western grain belt he is urging that the only remedy is a substantial reduction of acreage—a suggestion which has been coldly received.

The Secretary for Agriculture, Mr. Hyde, believes that the substantially higher duties imposed by the new tariff on most agricultural imports will eventually relieve the farmers from their sorry plight, although, since the tariff became law, commodity prices generally have continued to decline.

## CAMBRIDGE BAN ON CARS.

### DRASTIC STEP BY SIX COLLEGES.

Six Cambridge Colleges have joined in a drastic order with regard to the maintenance of motor-cars by undergraduates in residence.

The following circular has been drawn up by the authorities of Clare College:—

"The tutor wishes to inform parents and guardians that, believing that the possession of motor cars and motor bicycles by undergraduates nearly always prevents them from making the best use of their residence in Cambridge, the College has adopted the following new regulations with regard to motor vehicles:—

"(1) The present University restrictions with regard to the use of motor vehicles by freshmen shall, during the next year, apply to second-year men also.

"(2) After June, 1931, these restrictions shall apply to all undergraduates of the College.

"(3) During next year there shall be no late leave for motor vehicles beyond the normal hours, that is, eight-thirty p.m. in the Michaelmas and Lent terms, and ten p.m. in the Easter term."

It is understood that Pembroke College—two of whose second-year students were victims of a double fatality last term—took a leading part in the matter.

The six colleges which have made the order are Clare, Peterhouse, Pembroke, Caius, Trinity Hall, and Downing.

It is probable that other colleges will follow suit.

## U.S. AND THE NAVAL TREATY.

### EARLY RATIFICATION DOUBTS.

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

WASHINGTON, Saturday.

Grave doubts that the Senate will ratify the London Naval Treaty at the present extra session were expressed for the first time in Washington to-day, following Mr. Hoover's refusal to disclose certain documents bearing on the negotiation of the pact.

A determined minority coalition of insurgent Republicans and Democrats has raised the effective issue of the Senate's dignity and prerogatives, and, although no one seriously believes that the secret documents contain anything that would prevent the terms of the Treaty being carried out, opponents are attempting to attach a reservation to the agreement which would guard against such a contingency. Such a reservation, as it was pointed out in the Senate yesterday, would be an insult to the President, in view of his assurances, and would be one which Tokyo and London would be unlikely to accept.

If the Senate refuses to comply, however, it is certain that the opposition to ratification will be strengthened and the debate prolonged until the majority is no longer able to summon a quorum.

## RUSSIAN DEBTS TO BRITAIN.

### STATEMENT IN HOUSE TO-MORROW.

### BRITISH EXPERTS FOR CONFERENCE.

The SUNDAY TIMES learns that Mr. Henderson will make a statement in the House of Commons to-morrow on the question of Anglo-Russian debts, in which, it is understood, he will announce the names of British representatives on the joint committee of experts which is to negotiate in London for a settlement of Russian debts to this country. The statement has been postponed from last Monday.

Negotiations have been in progress for six months between the Foreign Secretary and the Soviet Ambassador in London on the question of a conference on debts and counter-claims. The list of British claims will be a heavy one, and includes the repayment of money lent to Russia by the British Government, amounting to £900,000,000 at 5 per cent. interest, and there are other claims amounting to about £255,000,000 among the 50,000 registered at the Board of Trade.

**ANGLO-RUSSIAN TRADE.**

At a luncheon in London on Thursday, the Russian Ambassador, Mr. Sokolnikoff, will be present and will speak. Mr. G. M. Gillett, M.P., Minister of the Department of Overseas Trade, will also make a speech, and Sir Hugh Bell, Bart., C.B., will make the chief speech, his topic being "British Russian Trade and Finance."

Mr. Stafford Talbot will be in the chair, and about 300 guests are expected, among them the following well-known industrialists:—Sir Robert Hadfield, Bart., Mr. H. A. Reincke, chairman of Messrs. Wm. Beardmore and Co., Ltd.; Mr. Ionides, vice-chairman of Messrs. Armstrong-Whitworth and Co., Ltd.

## AMERICAN OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

### "BOBBY" JONES AGAIN TRIUMPHS.

MINNEAPOLIS, Saturday.

"Bobby" Jones won the American Open Golf Championship to-day. He returned an aggregate of 287.—*Exchange.*

"Bobby" Jones has now accomplished the unique distinction of winning the British Amateur and the British Open Golf championships, and the American Open championship. It now remains to be seen whether he will also secure the American Amateur Championship in September.

Earlier details of yesterday's play appear on page 22.

## VOTE DEFENDED.

### SIR WM. EDGE'S SUPPORT FOR LABOUR.

Explaining his support of the Government, Sir William Edge, speaking at Coalville (Leics.) Liberal fete yesterday, said, "If I can't beat Bosworth pigeons I can help to stabilise and secure British Government, and in similar circumstances I will do so again."

He had not received one single protest from inside his constituency. All attacks upon him had come from outside. If the Government had been defeated on Wednesday night the Coal Bill would have been lost. He had carried out his pledges to Leicestershire miners.

He assured the audience that he would be the Bosworth candidate again at the next election.

## NEVER SEEN AN ESCALATOR.

### LONDONER'S FEARS TOLD AT INQUEST.

The widow of James William Bower, 72, of Holloway, who collapsed after walking up the stairs at Moorgate Tube Station, told the City Coroner yesterday that she had not seen an escalator before.

She used the escalator on this occasion, and said at the inquest:—"I felt so nervous and bad that my husband said we had better have a drop of brandy. He had no sooner said it than he fell down at my feet."

A verdict of "Death from natural causes" was returned.

**N.U.R. PRESIDENT.**

Mr. W. Dobbie, of York, was elected President of the National Union of Railwaymen at the closing session of the annual conference at West Hartlepool yesterday in succession to Mr. J. Gore, of London, who has held office for three years, and was not again nominated.

Mr. Dobbie was president of the union prior to Mr. Gore taking office, and his election for another term is without precedent in the annals of the union.

## MR. SNOWDEN ON A "CONSPIRACY."

### MR. LLOYD GEORGE ATTACKED.

### "TORIES HIDDEN IN CELLARS."

Mr. Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer, referred to what he described as the "conspiracy to overthrow the Government" at Milnsbridge, near Huddersfield, last night.

"I hope that those who are responsible for that conspiracy to overthrow the Government are satisfied with the result of their efforts," he said. "We certainly are, because it has shown us many things. One thing it has shown us is that when your opponents speak 'fair words' that it is time for you to be aware. One thing it has done has been to lower still more the prestige and influence of Mr. Lloyd George among the group nominally in the House of Commons. We are not likely to be caught in such a trap in future."

There was no doubt, Mr. Snowden proceeded, that the conspiracy had been deliberately planned for some weeks by an arrangement between Mr. Lloyd George and the Tory Party. Shortly before the vote upon that particular amendment, a division had been taken, and the Government secured a majority of something like a hundred. That looked as though they were all right, that there was no danger ahead, but they were unaware then that a hundred Tories were hidden in the cellars waiting to emerge when the critical division came.

**EMPIRE FREE TRADE.**

"I do not know how long the Government is going to last, but I think that the events of this week have extended its life. I do not think that there is a general desire among Members of Parliament of any Party to have a general election now. I think the Tories would prefer to wait until they have composed their internal differences and agreed upon a policy, but whether it comes sooner or later it is well to be prepared."

After a reference to unemployment, Mr. Snowden said:—"I have not the time to argue about Empire Free Trade or Protection." The present grave depression was in very large measure due to the protectionist policy of the world. Protection in all the protectionist countries had raised prices and, therefore, reduced the purchasing power of the people, so that they could not buy the same quantity of goods. All the nations of the world were so closely related to-day by trade and commerce that they could not have a shock in one country without reverberations being felt all over the world. These causes were beyond any one government's control, but they would touch the bottom sometime. Some of his business men friends thought it would come soon.

**Other political speeches are reported on Page 18.**

## THE CHINESE CIVIL WAR.

### FOREIGNERS LEAVE SHASI.

HANKOW, Saturday.

It is reported that all foreigners have been evacuated from Shasi (Hupeh Province), where fighting with "Reds" is going on in the native city.—*Reuter.*

WASHINGTON, Saturday.

The State Department will advise 355 of the 681 American citizens living in the bandit-infested provinces of Honan, Hupeh, Kiangsi, and Hunan to leave for less dangerous places of residence.—*Reuter.*

## GLASGOW RIOT LAST NIGHT

### POLICE BATON CHARGES

### MANY ARRESTS AND INJURED.

### WOMEN HURL MISSILES

Glasgow police arrested fifteen people following riotous scenes which occurred in the northern district of the city late last night.

Free fights took place in Garsube Road, and within a few minutes a crowd of 5,000 people gathered.

Two policemen who were in the vicinity rushed to the scene and drew their batons, but they were powerless, as women and men threw bottles, tin cans, and pint measures at the windows of tenements overlooking the street.

Assistance was at once summoned from the neighbouring police station, and about three dozen officers rushed to the scene in motor-cars. They charged the crowds, and were compelled to draw their batons. People who were injured were those, it is alleged, who began the trouble.

Remarkable scenes were witnessed, the crowd fighting the police and knocking several of the officers down.

Three policemen were injured, but not seriously.

The outbreak had been brewing from early evening, and when two Orangemen were returning to their homes in the district after partaking in yesterday's celebrations the crowd took the opportunity of beginning the trouble.

A police official stated that they were compelled to charge the crowd on no fewer than four occasions with their batons before order was restored. Several hundreds of people collected outside the police office later, but no further trouble resulted.

## PRINCE FLIES TO POLICE SPORTS.

### BLUE MONOPLANE.

The Prince of Wales had a hearty reception when he visited Luton yesterday for the Police Athletic Association sports.

Travelling by air, the Prince arrived in a blue monoplane, escorted by a biplane. He landed in a large field about half a mile from the sports ground, where officials were waiting to receive him. Among those who welcomed him as he alighted from the aeroplane were the Chief Constable of Luton, Mr. Albert Scott, who personally coaches the town tug-of-war team, which in recent years has been so successful in various athletic contests, and the hon. secretary of the Police Athletic Association, Mr. Henry Riches, Chief Constable of Middlesex.

Though the Prince's landing point had been kept a secret, it soon became known when the aeroplane circled above the sports ground, and a large crowd lined the Bedford Road. As the Prince was driven to the sports ground in an open touring car he was cheered the whole way. On the sports ground, where about 15,000 people had gathered, the Prince was welcomed by the Mayor of Luton, Ald. Murray Barford, and the Home Secretary, Mr. J. R. Clynes.

The Prince stayed about two and a-half hours on the sports ground, during which time he presented cups and trophies. He also had tea in the pavilion. He returned to London by air.


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## Court Circular.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, Saturday.

The King received the Maharaja of Kapurthala this morning.

Field-Marshal the Duke of Connaught visited Their Majesties and remained to luncheon.

The Prince George, attended by Major Humphrey Butler, opened the Civil Service Arts Exhibition at the Imperial Institute, Exhibition Road, yesterday afternoon.

ST. JAMES'S PALACE, Saturday.

The Prince of Wales, attended by Captain J. R. Aird, was present at the annual championship sports of the Police Athletic Association which took place in Wardown Park, Luton, to-day.

The Duke of York will visit Achnacarry, Spean Bridge, as the guest of Cameron of Lochiel on July 30, when he will open a new operating theatre in the Belford Hospital at Fort William.

Princess Marie Louise will preside at the bi-annual dinner and reception which the Overseas Section of the Forum Club will hold on Tuesday.

The Rajah of Sarawak, Sir Charles Brooke, with the Ranee and their daughter, is spending a holiday on Dartmoor.

Prince Iyeato Tokugawa has arrived in London from Tokyo, and is staying at the Hyde Park Hotel.

Princess Ottobini will leave 101, Eaton Square on Saturday for Germany.

The French Ambassador will hold a reception to-morrow from four to five o'clock for (male) members of the colony, in celebration of the Fête Nationale.

The engagement is announced of the Marquess of Graham, heir of the Duke of Montrose, and Miss Isabel Veronica Sellar, daughter of the late Lieut.-Col. Thomas Byrne Sellar and Mrs. Sellar, of Hyde Park Mansions, Marylebone Road.

The Earl of Inchcape has left London for Glenapp.

The Earl of Dundonald and Sir Thomas Fowell Buxton have arrived in England from their yachting cruise to South America.

The Countess of Bandon will spend the summer at Laxton Park House, Stamford.

Countess Lützow will leave for Czechoslovakia on Thursday.

The Earl of Birkenhead celebrated yesterday his 58th birthday.

Earl and Countess Granville have left Kensington Palace on their return to the British Embassy, Brussels.

The Earl of Haddington will return to 19, Cowley Street this week from Scotland.

Lady Alice Reyntiens is in residence at Dyneley, Burnley, for the summer.

Lady Mary Savile expects to return to 8, Upper Belgrave Street from Paris to-morrow.

Lady Evelyn Malcolm, Mrs. J. Buchan, and Lady Clementine Waring are giving an evening party at Gloucester House, Regent's Park, on July 24, at 10 o'clock, when a play, "Lucrezia Borgia," will be acted, followed by a small dance.

The Lord Chancellor and Miss Sankey will be At Home at 14, Dean's Yard, Westminster, from 4 to 6 p.m. to-morrow.

Viscount and Viscountess Bridgeman will leave London to-day for Dax in the Pyrenees.

Viscount and Viscountess FitzAlan of Derwent have left 79, Eaton Square for Cumberland Lodge, Windsor.

Lord and Lady Dynevor have arrived at 15, Lower Berkeley Street from Dynevor Castle, Carmarthenshire.

Lord Glentanar has returned to 10, Upper Grosvenor Street from the country.

Lady Delamere has left London for Marseilles, where she will embark in the Malda on her return to Kenya Colony.

Lady Houston has given a donation of £20,000 to St Saviour's Hospital for Ladies of Limited Means, Osnaburgh Street, N.W.1.

It is announced that Dr. Edward R. Cullinan, son of the late Dr. E. Cullinan and of Mrs. Austin, of Purley, will be married shortly to Miss Joy Horder, elder daughter of Sir Thomas and Lady Horder.

### OBITUARY.

SIR GEORGE WATSON.

Sir George Watson, one of the founders of the Maypole Dairy Company, died yesterday at his home at Sulhamstead House, near Reading. He was sixty-nine years of age.

Sir George was a pioneer of profit-sharing with employees. He was chairman of the Maypole Dairy Company until his retirement in 1924. His baronetcy was conferred on him in 1912.

The death is announced in a cable from Erie (Pennsylvania) of Lady (Caroline Lane) Jebb, widow of Sir Richard Claverhouse Jebb, the former Regius Professor of Greek in Cambridge University, who died in 1905.

### FUNERALS.

THE REV. J. H. GREAVES.

A funeral service for the Rev. J. H. Greaves, vicar of St. Paul's, Harringay, was conducted at the church, yesterday, by the Bishop of Willesden. The Mayor and Corporation of Hornsey were present, and there was a large assembly of parishioners, by whom Mr. Greaves was held in high esteem. The interment was in the Great Northern Cemetery, Southgate. Mr. Greaves had left instructions that his grave was to be as near as possible to that of his "friend and faithful servant of the church," Mr. William Strange, formerly verger of St. Paul's.

BISHOP TREFUSIS.

The interment of Dr. Trefusis, Suffragan Bishop of Crediton, following a service at Exeter Cathedral, took place yesterday at Chittlehampton, North Devon, where he had been vicar for twenty-two years. The Bishop of Exeter propounced the blessing. The cross from the grave of one of his two sons in France was buried with the coffin.

Earl Fortescue and Lord Clinton were present at the funeral.

CAPTAIN F. R. GOSSET.

The funeral of Captain Francis Russell Gosset, for many years Deputy-Serjeant-at-Arms of the House of Commons, will take place to-morrow at Marylebone Cemetery.

### REQUIEM MASS.

The Requiem Mass for Bishop Bidwell will be sung by Bishop Butt in Westminster Cathedral on Tuesday at 11.30 a.m., in the presence of the Cardinal Archbishop, who will give the Absolution. Prelates are requested to give timely notice to the Prefect of the Sacristy of their intention to be present, so that places may be prepared for them.

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# FAMOUS SCHOOL'S SOCIAL WORK.

## ROEDEAN BUILDS A SEASIDE COTTAGE.

## SUNSHINE AND HEALTH FOR LONDON CHILDREN.

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

BRIGHTON, Saturday.

Roedean, the famous school for girls, has added another to its long list of notable achievements by providing for poor London children a seaside cottage where they can get health and sunshine.

The cottage stands on the top of the cliffs just outside the village of Rottingdean, and not far from the school. Miss Penelope Lawrence, the senior of the three sisters who founded the school, emerged from her retirement to open the new building to-day. To welcome her many old girls of Roedean and a strong representation of the present pupils assembled in the cottage grounds and cheered Miss Lawrence when she arrived.

Lady Lewis, president of the Old Roedeanians' Association, presented Miss Lawrence with a large gold key with which she performed the opening ceremony. The gathering was informed that the Roedean School Mission, which has been in existence for 25 years, until recently carried on its work in two houses at Kemp Town, Brighton. Owing to the special character of the work it was felt that it could be more effectively continued in premises expressly built for the purpose, and efforts by past and present pupils have realised a substantial sum to build the new cottage. There is still, however, £600 outstanding.

Cordial acknowledgment was made of the help received from Colonel and Mrs. Kensington, from the architect, Mr. Christopher Maynard, and from Dr. Mrs. Jeffreys, honorary medical officer. The prayers of dedication were said by the chaplain, the Rev. Bruce Cornford. Miss Lawrence, in opening the building, expressed her pride in the mission's new venture and her intense admiration of the way the scheme had been carried out.

# NEW CHIMPANZEE FOR ZOO.

## BO-BO A MATE FOR JACK.

**By OUR ZOO CORRESPONDENT.**

Bo-Bo, the black-faced chimpanzee presented to the Zoo recently, has been on view in the Gardens since last week-end. She is an interesting ape, for her colouring is like that of a gorilla, her face and skin being a definite black, while her coat is rather dusty-looking, and this makes it easy to understand why it has been said that the relationship between the black-faced chimpanzee and the gorilla is closer than that between the gorilla and the more ordinary and better-known chimpanzee.

This Zoo example of the black-faced chimpanzee is a mature animal of some twelve or fifteen years of age, and though not particularly tall, she is broad and well-built, and gives the impression of possessing great strength. The stories about her intelligence were not exaggerated, and she has several tricks which are endearing her to the public. She is living next-door to Jack, the Zoo's largest chimpanzee, in the cage occupied formerly by Jacko, the Barbary ape, and the two chimpanzees are learning to know one another by conversing through the bars that separate their sleeping dens.

Jacko was removed from his old home a few days before Bo-Bo moved in, and during that time Jack gave a striking illustration of how deep attachments can spring up between two Zoo creatures who are nothing to each other but neighbours. The chimpanzee and the Barbary ape never communicated during the day, and at night they merely saw each other through a small grating, yet apparently Jack placed great value on Jacko's companionship, for when the Barbary ape had departed Jack could not settle down to sleep, but spent his nights restlessly. Sometimes he would be heard howling, and at others he would disturb all the creatures in his vicinity by kicking violently against the door of his den, but as soon as Bo-Bo took possession of the next-door apartment Jack ceased to make a nuisance of himself. He no longer suffered from loneliness during the night, so he slept.

Only one new animal was added to the collection last week, and that was a young cheetah. He has been a pet, but unlike most of his kind he has not taken kindly to his new surroundings, and is aggressively bad-tempered with keepers and visitors.

### *PRINCESS IN CORNWALL.*

A warm welcome was extended to Princess Helena Victoria when she laid the foundation stone of a nurses' hostel at Penzance yesterday. The Princess was welcomed in the Morrab Gardens by the Mayor and Mayoress (Alderman and Mrs. Goodfellow) and the Lord Lieutenant (Mr. John Charles Williams). She received purses on behalf of the Y.M.C.A., and afterwards lunched with the Mayor and Mayoress.

### *MUSIC IN THE PARKS.*

The band of the Life Guards will play in Green Park this evening from 6 to 8, and that of the Coldstream Guards in Hyde Park from 8 to 10. The Royal Parks Band will also play in Hyde Park this afternoon from 3 to 5, and daily during the week from 3 to 5 and 7 to 10, except on Thursday afternoon, when it will play in Green Park from 3 to 5.

In Greenwich Park the Shoreditch Borough Band and in Regent's Park the Wood Green Excelsior Band will each play from 6.30 to 9. In Richmond Park the Feltham Prize Military will play from 6.30 to 8.30, and in Kensington Gardens the Kensington Volunteers will play from 3 to 5 and 6.45 to 8.45.

### *ALBERT HALL PAGEANT.*

Last night saw the final performance of "The Vision," the pageant organised by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and performed at the Albert Hall during the past week.

Perhaps the most remarkable feature of the performances has been the composure and efficiency of an enormous amateur cast. All striving in their own fashion towards "The Vision," Pagans and Christians, Gentiles and Jews crossed the immense stage; now it was a scene of human sacrifice, now the amazement of the shepherds at Bethlehem, now the persecution of the Christians by Persians or barbarians that the audience saw. But whatever the scene the performers acted with a moving conviction and sincerity, and all concerned in the writing and production of the pageant deserve the utmost praise.

### *A PARTY AT LORD'S.*

Capt. and Mrs. Ernest Platt entertained a large party of friends at Lord's, for the Eton and Harrow match, at lunch and tea. Among those present were:—

The Marquess of Ailesbury and Lady Rosemary Bruce, Lord and Lady Roundway, Sir George and Lady Arthur, Sir Harry and Lady Brittain, General Sir William and Lady Pitcairn Campbell, General Sir Charles and Lady Kavanagh, Sir Simon and Lady Stuart, Sir Albert Seymour, Sir Percy Simmons, Colonel and Mrs. Greenway, Colonel Mackenzie Rogan, Colonel and Mrs. Rowland Fielding, Colonel and Mrs. Hubbard, Captain and Mrs. Fergus Forbes, Captain and Lady Dorothy Hope Morley, Baroness D'Anethan, Baroness Van Hueften, Baroness Von Nettlebladt, M. Laptev, M. Constantinescu, of the Rumanian Legation, Colonel and Mrs. Greenway, Captain and Mrs. Bradish-Ellames, Major E. O. Keith, Major and Mrs. Roderick, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Martineau, Captain and Mrs. Fairfax, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Chicester, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Raecliffe, Mr. Marcu Beza, Rumanian Consulate-General, and Madame Beza, Mrs. Compton Mackenzie, Mrs. Bradish-Ellames, Mr. Trevor Blakemore, Miss Suzanne Platt, Miss Moss Davis.

# STAMP DUTIES ON HONOURS.

## NEW PEERS EXCUSED PAYMENT.

## £384 ROBES FOR LORD SANKEY.

There are several interesting items in a Supplementary Estimate, issued yesterday, for £253,683.

The grant-in-aid to rating authorities in Scotland in respect of the loss of rates has been increased by £200,000 to £1,000,000. The appointment of Mr. J. H. Thomas as Dominions Secretary has resulted in £7,450 being added to the Dominion Office vote for the salaries, wages, and allowances of the Secretariat. The Colonial office also wants an additional £4,000 for the establishment of a personal division, as recommended by the committee on the system of appointment in the Colonial Office and the Colonial Services.

Included in repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund totalling £6,823 is the sum of £200 12s., the remitted stamp duties payable on the Royal warrant, letters patent, and docket conferring a viscountcy upon Field-Marshal Lord Plumer. The remitted stamp duties on the conferring of baronies on Mr. Sidney Webb, Sir John Sankey, Sir William Tyrrell, and Lieut.-General Sir R. Baden-Powell aggregated £602 12s. A sum of 12s. each has been remitted on letters patent appointing the Council of State, on the warrant appointing Mr. Philip Snowden to be Chancellor of the Exchequer, and on the warrant for letters patent granting a contingent annuity to the Lord Chancellor.

The cost of the robes for Lord Sankey on his appointment as Lord Chancellor is set down as £384 18s. An unusual item reads:—Charges in connection with repatriation of slaves, £2 7s. 4d.

# PRINCE AND PRINCESS TAKAMATSU.

## DEPARTURE FOR PARIS.

Prince and Princess Takamatsu, of Japan, left Victoria Station yesterday for Paris on the conclusion of their official visit to London.

The Princess, radiant and smiling, wore a broad-brimmed lace hat of beige colour. She bowed in response to the greetings of members of the Japanese colony in London and to representatives of the Japanese Embassy, who had gathered on the platform to bid the Royal visitors farewell. The Prince wore morning dress, and he shook hands cordially with the Japanese Ambassador and other members of the Embassy staff.

The Prince and Princess are expected to return to London shortly, incognito.

Before his departure, Prince Takamatsu expressed the delight of the Princess and himself at the warmth of his reception and the cordiality of all sections of the community wherever they had been. After a stay of a fortnight in Paris, the Imperial couple are visiting Holland, Germany, Belgium, and Scandinavia. They are returning to England in September and will visit Scotland, and after spending the winter on the Continent will return to Japan via the United States in March.

# DOCTOR'S WEDDING.

## BRIDE'S GOWN OF TULLE WITH PEARLS.

At Holy Trinity Church, Brompton, yesterday, the marriage took place between Mr. Walter Eric Chiesman, M.B., of St. Thomas's Hospital, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chiesman, of Oakleigh, Duppas Hill Road, Croydon, and Miss Feodora (Darloo) Rennie, younger daughter of the late Mr. Frank Rennie, M.D., of Quarr House, Sway, Hampshire, and Mrs. Rennie, of 20, Prince's Gardens, S.W. Prebendary Gough officiated, assisted by the Rev. P. Morgan Watkins, and Mr. Russell Chiesman, cousin of the bridegroom, was best man.

Colonel W. B. Rennie gave his sister away. She wore a gown of white tulle, the bodice being embroidered with pearls and diamanté. Her long train of silver lamé was lined with chiffon and over it fell a tulle veil from a coronet of pearls.

Miss Diana Rennie, Miss Marjorie Meiklejohn, Miss Sylvia Shinner, the Misses Pamela and Catherine Satterthwaite, and Miss Kathleen Earle were the bridesmaids. Their frocks of lime green chiffon were cut with cape collars and full fluted skirts and held at the waist with belts fastened with diamanté clasps.

Guests present at the reception at the Rembrandt Hotel included:—

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chiesman, Mrs. Rennie, Miss Rennie, Colonel and Mrs. Rennie, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chiesman, Mr. W. Chiesman, Mr. Harry Chiesman.

Lord and Lady Stopforth, Lady Hanworth, Lady Ryall, Lady Evans, Dr. Isaac Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Neilson, Mrs. Mallet, Mr. Geoffrey Parker, Mr. Leslie Parker, Mrs. Parker, Dr. and Mrs. Grainger-Stewart, Dr. and Mrs. Tidy, Mrs. Desmond MacCarthy.

Colonel and Mrs. Concannon, Dr. and Mrs. Lovel-Barnes, Dr. B. H. Jones, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Ryan, Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Russell, Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Kimmins, Dr. and Mrs. Wilson, Dr. Taylor-Young, Mr. J. T. Yates, Mrs. Campbell Meikleiohn, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Potter, Captain and Mrs. Paramore, Mr. and Mrs. P. Lloyd-Williams, Dr. and Mrs. John Taylor, Dr. Laura Veale, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Jenkins, Mrs. Wingate Saul, Mrs. Satterthwaite, Dr. A. B. Robinson, Dr. A. D. C. Bell, and Dr. Sandman Allen.

### *OLD SOLDIERS' DAY.*

The annual Old Soldiers' Day in connection with the Gloucestershire Regiment will take place in the Horfield Barracks, Bristol, on July 26. Old Regular soldiers of the regiment who intend to be present should apply immediately to the O.C. Depot, Horfield Barracks, for tickets, which cost 2s. 6d.

### *CHARING CROSS BRIDGE.*

Two further appointments are announced to the Advisory Council of London County Council, established to reconsider the Charing Cross Bridge problem.

Sir Gilbert Scott, R.A., has been chosen as the representative of the Royal Fine Art Commission and Mr. Dendy Watney as the representative of the Surveyors' Institution.

### *BUST OF BENEFACTOR.*

The Duke of Connaught on Tuesday afternoon will unveil in the main hall of the Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital a bust of the late Mr. Bernhard Baron, in recent years one of the hospital's greatest benefactors.

In addition to several considerable gifts, Mr. Baron gave a sum of £10,000 to build the men's ward which bears his name.

### *QUEEN MARY'S SCHOOL.*

The Dean of Westminster (Provost of the Woodard Corporation, Northern Division) has received an intimation that the King has commanded that the school at Duncombe Park shall in future be known as Queen Mary's School.

This Yorkshire mansion, which stands near the village of Helmsley, is the property of the Earl of Feversham. It is let on lease to the Woodard Society.

### *46 YEARS IN PORT OF LONDON*

Mr. G. S. Maskall retired yesterday from the position of dock and warehouse manager to the Port of London Authority. He had been associated with London's port for forty-six years, having entered the service of the East and West India Dock Company in 1884.

Upon the formation of the Port of London Authority, Mr. Maskall was appointed shipping superintendent. He became assistant dock and warehouse manager in 1916, and four years later took control of the Department.

# £500,000 ESTATE AND NO WILL.

## A TIMBER MERCHANT'S FORTUNE.

## CHERRY TREES INSTEAD OF GRAVESTONE.

Though he left estate valued at £540,623 gross, with net personalty £513,616, Mr. Jesse Lumb, of Park Drive, Huddersfield, a worsted yarn spinner, died without making a will. The duties on the property will amount to about £170,000. Mr. Lumb was a bachelor, and letters of administration of his estate have been granted to his sister, Miss Annie Lumb, and his brother, Mr. Joe Lumb.

**CHERRY TREES FOR GRAVE.**

A request that instead of the usual headstone two double-flowering cherry trees should be planted at his grave, and maintained by his children, is contained in the will of Mr. John Joseph Norton, of Poole, Dorset, a timber merchant. Mr. Norton, who was a prominent figure in the Band of Hope movement, left unsettled property of the gross value of £230,919, with net personalty £145,545. He expressed the earnest desire that his funeral should be as plain and as simple as possible, with no wreaths, or flowers, or laudatory addresses; that no mourning should be worn by relatives or friends, and that the interment should be in an earth grave in a simple elm coffin.

Mr. Norton left £5,000 for the benefit of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Band of Hope Union, several smaller bequests to charitable objects, and legacies to employees, including an annuity of £150 to his traveller, Harry Kendrick Miller, while incapacitated by old age or otherwise, and annuities of £51 each to Frank Cornish, his former yard foreman, and the widow of his late office manager, Levi Harris Fleet.

**A TRIBUTE TO A WIFE.**

Mr. Godfrey Charles Lambert, of Woodcote, Esher, and of Henrietta Street, Covent Garden, W.C., architect and surveyor, left estate of the gross value of £46,326, with net personalty £43,226. He left—

£10,000 upon trust for his wife for life, with remainder as she may appoint, and, failing appointment, then equally between such of his sisters, nephews, and nieces as may be living at his wife's death, excluding his sister, Frances Waite, and his nephew, Bryan Waite, who are already well provided for, the Royal United Kingdom Beneficent Association, the Governesses Benevolent Fund, and two other associations (to be selected by his trustees) for the relief of distressed people of gentle birth.

The residue of the estate is left to his wife absolutely, "as a mark of my deepest affection for her, to whom I owe so many happy years of my life."

**MANY BEQUESTS TO CHARITIES.**

A large number of charitable bequests are contained in the will of Mr. Aba Mickler, of Beech Grove Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne, a wholesale draper, who left £20,175 gross with net personalty £9,623. The bequests include:—

A sum sufficient to endow a bed, to be called the "Aba Mickler" cot, to the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

£150 to Southport Convalescent Home.

£250 to the Fleming Memorial Hospital for Sick Children, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

£250 to the Manchester Royal Infirmary.

A picture, "The Wisdom of Solomon," and a selection of books to the Liberal Club, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

£250 to the Jewish Friend in Need Society (otherwise known as the Jewish Board of Guardians).

His residence, Derwent View, to be used as a hospital for poor consumptives and poor persons suffering from diseases of the chest, to be known as "The Northern Counties Hospital for Diseases of the Chest" ("Aba Mickler's Home") or such other name having the words "Aba Mickler's Home" as the principal part thereof, and the trustees, at the expense of the estate, shall cause the name, in both English and Hebrew, to be affixed to some conspicuous part of the said premises, and he left £2,000 for the upkeep and repair thereof.

The residue of the estate is divided between a number of hospitals and philanthropic institutions.

**POLICEMAN WHO BECAME BARONET.**

Sir Thomas Paxton, first baronet, of Devonshire Gardens, Glasgow, who was at one time a member of the Glasgow police force, left, in addition to real estate, personal estate in the United Kingdom valued at £31,651.

**OTHER WILLS.**

| | GROSS VALUE. |
|---|---|
| SILAS PLEDGER, of Old Lodge, Springfield, Essex, farmer (net personalty £52,733) | £58,917 |
| Mrs. ZILLA ODDY, of The Lodge, Holt, Norfolk, widow of John George Oddy (net personalty £34,766) | 34,852 |
| ADAM HALL WOOD, of The Mount, South Reddish, Lancs, for a long period manager of the Manchester office of James Graves, Ltd., velvet manufacturers, of Oldham (net personalty £30,848) | 33,734 |
| Major-General HUGH PALLISER HICKMAN, late R.A., of Beaufort Gardens, Kensington, S.W. (net personalty £2,534) | 5,357 |

### *RURAL BEAUTIES.*

The Scapa Society for the prevention of disfigurement in town and country by the abuse of public advertising, have addressed a letter to Shell-Mex, Ltd., in which they express the gratitude of the Society to the firm for their policy of refraining from using the forms of outdoor advertising to which exception was so widely taken by all who cared for the beauty of rural England.

### *CAMBRIDGE BLUE'S SUCCESS.*

Mr. S. Kingsley Tubbs, B.A., who headed the list of successful candidates at the final examination of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, and secured three out of the four prizes offered, is the eldest son of Mr. Sydney W. Tubbs, of Messrs. Dixon, Wilson, Tubbs and Co., chartered accountants, of 24, Basinghall Street.

Mr. Kingsley Tubbs was articled to the firm, and will shortly be admitted as a partner. He rowed for three successive years in the Cambridge boat, and in his last year was president of the Cambridge University Boat Club.

### *CHILDREN'S DAY.*

The yellow marguerite has been chosen as the emblem of Children's Day, which is to-morrow. Sellers will invite the public in London and the Home Counties to contribute to the funds of the Societies that are banded together as the National Council for Maternity and Child Welfare, whose headquarters are at Carnegie House, Piccadilly.

Lady Cynthia Colville is chairman of the Children's Day appeal, and she is assisted by Viscountess Erleigh and Lady George Cholmondeley as vice-chairmen.

The money collected will be presented as "purses" to Lady Patricia Ramsay at a garden party on Thursday at St. James's Palace.

### *LEAGUE OF MERCY.*

Princess Helena Victoria and Princess Marie Louise have promised to be present at the League of Mercy Garden Party, which is being held at St. James's Palace on July 22. Princess Mary Countess of Harewood, who is the Lady Grand President of the League of Mercy, will receive the guests, all of whom are active workers for the League. Amongst those who have accepted invitations to be present are:—

Lady Abdy, Lady Alexander, Lord and Lady Armstrong, Lady Ashcombe Countess Beauchamp, Lady Bowles, Viscount and Viscountess Bradford, Sir William and Lady Bull, the Countess of Cassilis, Lady Colman Lady Cunynghame, Viscount and Viscountess Elibank, Lady Kleinwort, Lady Lawrence, Lady Leeds, Lord and Lady Leigh, Lord and Lady Luke, Lady Marjoribanks, Lady Melchett Lady Miller, Lord Marshall, Lord Richard Nevill, the Duchess of Norfolk, the Marquis and Marchioness of Normanby, Lady Rankin, Lady Runtz, Sir Percy Simmons, Sir John and Lady Smith, Sir Edward Stern, Lady Susan Truman, Lord and Lady Wakefield, Lady Watson, Lady Worthington-Evans the Countess of Haddington, Countess Midleton Mr. W. R. Hornby Steer and Dr. and Mrs. Orme.

# COOL AND RATHER UNSETTLED.

## LOCAL SHOWERS ON EAST COAST.

## STORMY NORTHERLY WINDS.

**By OUR METEOROLOGICAL EXPERT.**

*ENGLAND.—Wind north, moderate or fresh, strong locally on East Coast; cloudy, local rain or showers, chiefly near East Coast; cool.*

*SCOTLAND.—Wind north-west or west, moderate or light; cloudy, local showers or drizzle; rather cool.*

*ENGLISH CHANNEL. — Wind north-west moderate or fresh; cloudy, local showers; visibility good; sea moderate.*

*AIR PASSAGES.—Wind west-north-west, 10-20 m.p.h. at the surface, 25 to 35 m.p.h. at 2,000 feet. Occasional rain and much low cloud in West Germany. Perhaps showers elsewhere. Visibility 3 to 6 miles, but less than 100 yards at times on high ground in West Germany.*

After weeks of unusually persistent warmth, a break-through of Polar winds behind a group of storm centres on the far side of the North Sea brought the eastern half of Britain a sudden change to unseasonably cool weather yesterday. The cold air spread southwards across England during Friday night, and towards sunrise many inland districts had the rare experience of a mid-July frost.

London escaped the worst of this wintry thrust, but the minimum of 38 degrees on the grass at Kew was lower than on nine nights last December and eleven nights last January.

The unwelcome cold was accompanied by gloomy dullness in the easternmost counties, which were on the margin of a rain area near the Dutch seaboard. There was no general break in the drought, however, and under the influence of a large anticyclone on the Atlantic many central, western and north-western districts of Britain continued to enjoy abundant sunshine with temperatures approaching the average for the season.

In parts of the Midlands and South of England little more than a quarter of an inch of rain has fallen in the six weeks since the end of May, and crops are perishing for lack of moisture. The total for this period in the London area ranges from 1¼ in. to more than 4 in., these differences, however, being due to the severe local thunderstorms last month.

There is no reason for anticipating a final break in the dry weather "mood" which has prevailed over most of Southern and Central England since the beginning of June; and though this may become less pronounced for a time, the week seems likely to be predominantly fair and warm. Rain areas skirting the North of Scotland will probably cause changeable conditions there.

# NEWS IN BRIEF.

At Longford (Ireland) yesterday, Joseph Keogh, a hawker, was fined £100 for selling tobacco without a licence.

A woman aged 24 died of smallpox in Aberdeen yesterday. It is sixteen years since the last smallpox death in Aberdeen.

The L.C.C. have placed a contract at £141,500 for the erection of tenements with 863 rooms at Leigham Court Road, Streatham.

A reward of £500 is offered for the capture of thieves who stole furs from Messrs. Marks Barder and Co.'s warehouse in Upper Thames Street, London, E.C.

Death from blood poisoning, following injury caused by a cockerel, which had pecked him on the hand, was the verdict at a Bangor inquest yesterday, on Richard Owen.

Earl Peel (former Secretary of State for India) will address the 1912 Club at 36, Bucklersbury, Cheapside, on Tuesday evening on "Is the Indian Problem Insoluble?"

Ballard's Institute and Boys' Club, which cost £50,000, with securities worth over £30,000 for upkeep, has been transferred by Mr. A. C Ballard to the Plymouth Education Authority.

More than 120 witnesses are to be called in a case at Manchester Assizes this week, in which nine Manchester men are accused of false pretences in incurring debts and obtaining credit, and conspiracy.

Only 48 persons come up for trial at the July session of the Old Bailey, which opens on Tuesday, compared with a total of 109 persons committed for trial at the present session.

**HOW TO BE POPULAR,**

**By THE MARQUESS OF DONEGALL,**

**IN TO-MORROW'S "DAILY SKETCH."**

The mother of Miss Amy Johnson, of Hull, asks that any collecting cards issued to children or others to gather subscriptions for a public testimonial to Miss Johnson shall be immediately withdrawn.

At North London Police Court yesterday, Thomas Hart, 34, an ex-Service man, was committed for trial for the alleged manslaughter of William Handley, 37, of Bannister Street, Homerton. Bail was refused.

The Camberwell Finance Committee recommend: "That no action be taken" on a letter from the Mayor (Mr. Arthur L. Bateman), suggesting that they should recommend the Council to appoint a deputy mayor.

Other experiments to improve acoustics having failed, the L.C.C. will on Tuesday be asked to sanction expenditure of £460 on a low reflective ceiling in each of the four galleries of the Council Chamber at County Hall.

Brig.-General D. Ogilvy, D.S.O., presided at the reunion dinner of Glenalmond School, held at the Café Royal last night. The Warden responded to the toast "Floreat Glenalmond." There was a large attendance of old boys.

"It is extraordinary the number of men connected with barges and the river who cannot swim," said Dr. R. M. Guthrie, the East London coroner, at an inquiry into the death of William Self (60), a lighterman, of Arrow Road, Bow, who fell into the River Lea from a barge at Bromley Lock and was drowned.

### *CANON ALEXANDER'S PORTRAIT.*

Sir Arthur Cope, R.A., is to commemorate the preservation of St. Paul's by painting the portrait of Canon Alexander, Treasurer of the Cathedral.

### *FAMOUS INN CLOSED.*

To the general regret of Banbury people, the Red Lion Hotel, which has been a picturesque landmark since early in the sixteenth century, closed its doors last night, having been crowded throughout the evening with "farewell" drinkers.

All but the modern "tap" at the bottom of the yard will shortly be demolished and a new bank and shop will occupy the site. A movement is on foot to preserve the facade of the inn, with its bay-windows and perpendicular gateway, to form the frontage of a pavilion in Banbury Park.

### *NEW SCOTTISH APPOINTMENTS*

The Scottish Office yesterday announced that the King has approved the appointment of Mr. Robert Kerr Hannay, M.A., LL.D., F.R.S.E., Professor of Ancient History and Palæography in Edinburgh University, to be His Majesty's Historiographer in Scotland, in the room of Principal Robert Sangster Rait, resigned.

The King has also, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State for Scotland, approved the appointment of the Rev. Alexander Reid Gordon, M.A., D.Litt., D.D., Professor of Hebrew at McGill University, and of Old Testament Literature and Exegesis at the United Theological College, Montreal, to the Chair of Hebrew and Oriental Languages in the University of St. Andrews in place of the late Professor David Miller Kay.


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FIRST FLOOR

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# Court and Society

The fifth and last Court of the season was held on Thursday, and was presided over by the King as well as the Queen, the latter appearing in her favourite shade of powder blue, which becomes Her Majesty so well. Seated next to the Queen and by the side of Princess Mary Countess of Harewood was Princess Takamatsu, who was the cynosure of all eyes, in her dress of shining crystal and diamanté embroidery on a silver ground. Another Eastern figure of note was the wife of the Chinese Minister, who—true to her invariable custom—wore native dress. This necessitated special permission, as it consists of a high-necked robe with long sleeves, two points quite contrary to regulation Court dress. Made of white satin, it was heavily embroidered in white silk and gold thread, and was fastened by jade buttons, for Madame Sze is devoted to this stone, and wore a string of the beads—as she, indeed, usually does. The Duchess of Abercorn wore her well-known *parure* of sapphires with a dress of satin of the same hue. Another well-known figure was Mrs. Neville Chamberlain, wearing deep black, who presented her daughter, whose début had to be postponed owing to the recent death of Mrs. Chamberlain's mother.

The Prince of Wales's presence at the League of Mercy ball proved its invariable attraction, and there was a very smart attendance. Among those who were there on His Royal Highness's arrival were the Duchess of Sutherland, in palest mauve, who was with Lady Wodehouse, the latter in black; Lady Rachel Howard, in green; and Lady Alexandra Haig and other young people, such as Lady Catherine Willoughby, with her sister, Lady Priscilla, the last in black flowered taffetas; while others to be seen were the Hon. Lady Bingham, in red; Mrs. Corrigan, in white lace; Lord Richard Nevill; Lord Plunket, with his delightful wife, in palest pink chiffon; Lord Marshall; and Viscountess Furness, elegant in all black, and the Countess of Haddington, in white tulle, who acted as joint hostesses.

Prince Arthur of Connaught, with his wife in blue and yellow printed chiffon, as usual came to the tennis matches organised by Lady Fripp and Lady Wavertree at the latter's Regent's Park home, and ex-King Manoel and his consort, the latter in red and white figured chiffon, were among Lady Wavertree's luncheon guests on Monday, as were Viscount D'Abernon, Sir George Beharrell and Comd. Redmond McGrath. Others who watched with interest the several sets played by tennis stars were Lady Maud Carnegie, in dark blue; Sir Arthur and Lady Crosfield, the latter in blue; Lady Gainford, in white and black chiffon; Lady Juliet Duff, in a buff-striped suit, with her son, who chatted with Mrs. Elinor Glyn for some time; and theatrical celebrities such as Miss Sophie Tucker, very neat in a brown suit; Miss Ellaline Terriss, in green; and Miss Gladys Cooper. Lady Wavertree herself favoured the ultra-popular flowered chiffon in shades of black, red, and white; and others present were Lord and Lady Leigh, Mrs. Redmond McGrath, in a smart but tiny black hat; the Hon. Edward Stonor with his wife, in black and white; and Princesses Helena Victoria, in duck's-egg green, and Marie Louise, in beige.

Lady Ludlow is a hostess who invariably entertains her friends in a distinctive way, and on Tuesday the programme provided by her at Bath House consisted of Sacha Guitry and Yvonne Printemps, with the addition of the de Groot trio. The French artists were in excellent form Mlle. Printemps's greatest success, perhaps, being achieved in her singing of the old favourite, "Je sais que vous êtes jolie," and by "Deux Amants," which she gave as an encore. Lady Ludlow looked smart in black tulle, with a little coatee embroidered in diamanté, and she had on diamanté-studded black gloves. Her son, Sir Harold Wernher, and the latter's wife, Lady Zia, who had a pretty pale blue frock and carried a fan of blue heron's feathers, helped in receiving the distinguished audience, which included Lady Patricia Ramsay, in white lace flounces, and her husband; Marchioness Curzon, handsome in white with crystal-beaded vandykes; Lord and Lady Gainford; Viscountess Harcourt, in a becoming shade of cyclamen mauve; Viscount D'Abernon, with his wife in a blue-feathered frock; Viscountess Cowdray chic in oyster satin; Countess Howe, in blue, as was Viscountess Churchill, who was accompanied by her husband the Earl and Countess of Ossory, the latter in red; Lady Holford, in dark blue; and well-known racing personalities such as the Countess of Ellesmere, who sat near Mrs. Arthur James; the Hon. Frank Curzon with his wife, in flowered lamé; Lady Leconfield, in light green; the Hon. Lady Miller, in grey; and the Hon. Arthur Somerset with his wife, in blue. The Countess of Mar and Kellie was another I saw, and among the men who mingled with members of the Corps Diplomatique were Sir Seymour Fortescue, Lord Waleran, who came with his uncle, Lord Glentanar and the latter's wife; Capt. Victor Cazalet, and Sir Hugo Cunliffe-Owen.

The Marchioness of Londonderry and her two young daughters flew over from Belgium on Thursday, and were present with the Marquis of Londonderry at the dinner of seventy-four covers which Mrs. Corrigan gave at 16, Grosvenor Street that evening. Lady Londonderry looked very well in black lace and magnificent diamonds, and the hostess's white organdie frock with its Valenciennes lace-edged frills was worn with a little red velvet coatee which repeated the tone of her rubies. Variegated sweet peas decorated the several round tables at which were seated Lady Plunket, Sir Victor Warrender, with his wife in a frock of multi-coloured lamé; Captain Robert Jenkinson, with Mrs. Jenkinson, in beige and green printed chiffon; the Countess of Haddington, in pink and diamanté; the Countess of Dalkeith, in tomato-coloured chiffon; and Mrs. Gerard Leigh, whose ivory lace dress boasted a noticeable train. There was a cabaret afterwards, which was voted a great success.

Someries House, Regent's Park, is an ideal setting for a garden party and Sir Harold and Lady Zia Wernher were well favoured by the weather on Wednesday, when they invited members of the Anglo-Swedish Society to a programme on the lawn, which included a Tzigane band, the Kentucky Singers, and a prince of conjurors, Arnold de Biere. The latter inveigled Viscount Burnham to assist him, to the amusement of everyone, none more than the Countess of Oxford, who had been sitting by him. The Swedish Minister was also one of that group, and others sitting under the trees were the blonde and pretty Lady Glentanar, in palest beige, who sat with Mrs. Loeffler, a compatriot of hers, and Lady (Cecil) Lowther, who wore pink and black chiffon. Mrs. Arthur James sat next to Lady Zia, who wore a chiffon frock of sweet-pea shades and a pale blue hat, while not far away were Sir Otto and Lady Beit, Lady Ludlow, in *broderie anglaise* of navy blue and white, and Earl and Countess Beatty.

The Duke of Gloucester will be present to-morrow night at the Toc H ball at the Hyde Park Hotel, and will dine previously with the Marchioness of Salisbury, whose other guests will include the Hon. George and Lady Cynthia Colville, Lady Margaret Stewart, the Hon. Alexander and Mrs. Hardinge, Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Moore, and Lady Davina Lytton.

The Duchess of Sutherland and Lady Melchett will receive the guests at a garden party at the Holme, Regent's Park, next Thursday, when Sir Robert Horne will speak on the Empire Activity Fund.

MAYFAIR.

## Seen on the Stage

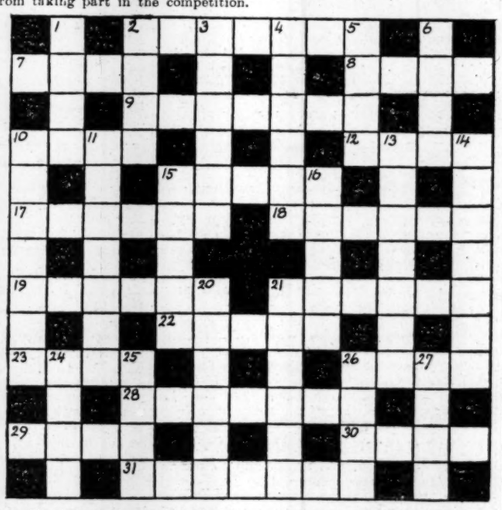
CHARMING frocks seen on the stage are almost as intriguing as the play, and not only to the feminine part of the audience! The lovely frocks worn by Miss Mary Newcomb in "Jealousy," at the Little Theatre, all add great charm to the entertainment.

The sketch to the left shows a delightful evening frock of heavy ivory crêpe, weighted with ivory silk fringe on both the wrap and the dress, which was ankle-length. Diagonal lines gave a wonderful grace and "fit" to its clinging effect. A tightly moulded corsage had a tiny belt of the crêpe with a crystal and black buckle.

The other sketch shows a black clinging cloth frock, also moulded to the figure at the corsage and hip line, with a godet-shaped "apron" effect on the skirt (halfway between knee and ankle in length), two pockets on either side and a cape back.

# CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 289.

Send solutions addressed "Cross-word No 289," SUNDAY TIMES, 186, Strand, London, W.C.2. Two novels selected from publishers' announcements in the SUNDAY TIMES will be given to the senders of the first five correct solutions opened after the first post on Thursday. Readers in Scotland are precluded from taking part in the competition.



**ACROSS.**

2. Monday's dish perhaps.
7. Fuel hat appears all right in the middle.
8. Plant made from reversed quadrupeds.
9. Cook uses this for flavouring.
10. An English author whom cook would find useful for 2 across.
12. One of the cat tribe.
15. Finished — but were there anger in it. 'twould be imperilled.
17. Two English verbs are frank.
18. An essential part of a vessel.
19. Cook uses this too for flavouring.
21. Material.
22. Decapitate a shrub to make this fastener.
23. A key in the musical world.
26. Kind.
28. Refuse.
29. You have the materials for this game in 24 down.
30. "To take — against a sea of troubles," said Hamlet, apparently mixing his metaphors.
31. Material that begins with a spirit and ends with a joint.

**DOWN.**

1. A list for duties.
2. She was plainly retiring, but Louisa got her back (hidden).
3. Circular—much the same without its third letter.
4. Chest.
5. A kind of stage door.
6. The means of controlling 18 across.
10. Far from voluble.
11. Sea-cow.
13. "Run, Doge!" (anag.).
14. Fruit.
15. This duck's down here, suitably perhaps.
16. An obsolete gold coin.
20. Kind of ape.
21. Some object of superstitious reverence; if in trouble fish round and in French.
24. A common aerobatic.
25. What creature is often attached to a sword?
26. Counterfeit.
27. Capital that seems to invite us to wander.

## CROSS-WORD No. 288 PRIZEWINNERS.

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**SOLUTIONS.**—ACROSS: 1, Embrocation; 9, Lagos; 10, Still; 11, Sweet; 13 Sense; 15, Violin; 17, Ate; 18, Feel; 19 Pine; 21 Dee; 23, Sappho; 26, Uncle; 28 Aphis; 30, Epsom; 31, Taunt; 32, Grandfinale.

DOWN: 2, Megan; 3, Russet; 4, Cone; 5, Tosti; 6, Oriel; 7, Closefisted; 8, Flannelette; 12, Eve; 14 Salop; 16, Orpen; 20, Mop; 22, Euston; 24, Poser; 25, Haman; 27, Churl; 29, Huff.

# A Woman's Corner

## By the Sea.

## Nursing Homes.

By PANDORA.

A cloudless blue sky, and a sea as calm as the proverbial millpond, green Leas where women in thin coloured frocks swayed and bent like flowers in a breeze, the drone of aeroplanes overhead, the white chalk of the Downs for a background, the flash and movement of boats, big and little, at sea. This was Folkestone last week in glorious weather.

I cherish a tender feeling for Folkestone, and I am willing to do battle for her against all other seaside towns, yet I am put to it when asked to explain exactly why this delectable town is more atttractive than several others one could name.

Perhaps the Leas, those gracious lawns between the sea and the hotels, distinguish Folkestone. Perhaps the position on top of the cliffs, the winding paths and well-wooded slopes down to the sea endear her to her admirers. Perhaps her nearness to France, and the fact that many French people know England through Folkestone, have something to do with it. Perhaps war associations, for so many thousands passed through Folkestone in the terrible years, and to many she was the last sight of England they ever knew. What memories a visit to this town must awaken in many hearts.

Whatever the reason, this delightful place has a charm of its own, and, I repeat, I for one am scaled of the tribe of admirers. So, indeed, are many others, for most people who know Folkestone speak of it with affection. In a delightful book by the American writer W. D. Howells, written years ago, there is a whole chapter devoted to Folkestone, in which he wonders that anyone can leave the place "with that lawny level of interasphalted green stretching eastward into the town that climbed picturesquely to meet it and westward to the sunset, and dropping by a swift declivity softened in its abruptness by flowery and leafy shrubs." Could he return from the shades, he would find many changes and "improvements," yet the charms he felt hold the same allure.

### Glorious Cricket.

The Kent v. Sussex match brought crowds of people to the fine sports ground, which is backed by the Downs. The sight was a typically English summer scene. The stands full, crowds sitting on benches, cars parked closely, flags snapping in a light breeze, while the owners and passengers sat absorbed in the cricket, the familiar sight of the young men in flannels, the crack of bat and ball. Do you know Mr. E. V. Lucas's song of the Cricket Ball?

Leather the heart of me; ay, but in verity
Kindred I claim with the sun in the sky.
Heroes bow all to the little red ball,
And now to my brother ball, blazing on high.

The human interest of a big match is great. The applause for a favourite as he leaves or enters the pavilion, and his apparent unconsciousness of the existence of spectators beyond a grave gesture of finger to cap (what would happen if a player acknowledged the cheers one shivers to think. Perhaps all the other players would faint away with horror), and the close attention paid, for almost everyone present understands the game. The sight of the hero-worshipping small schoolboys is one of the most attractive. A group waited to see their idols come out after the interval, and there was a sound of clicking of cameras as snaps were taken to be treasured among the souvenirs of the summer, and many very small hands clapped enthusiastically. The days they are taken to see the big matches must be red-letter days to some of these future cricketers.

### Nurses in Nursing Homes.

A correspondent who has a great deal to do with the nursing profession and herself holds an important public position, writes to me on the subject of the treatment of the nurses who work in private nursing homes. Obviously one cannot generalise about all nursing homes, but her opinion is that these nurses are seriously overworked, and, considering the high fees charged to patients, they are underpaid in many cases.

"Do patients in a luxuriously appointed nursing home know," she asks, "that their nurses usually have only one afternoon and evening a week off duty, with one whole day monthly; that their working hours are from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., or from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m., with a nominal two hours off duty out of the twelve-hour day, and nothing when on night work, and that night nurses are left on night work from two to three months at a stretch with only a monthly night off?"

The recovery of a patient depends upon the nurse quite as much as upon the well-paid surgeon who operates. The really conscientious nurse is worthy of more consideration and fairer treatment than she gets, and I feel sure that if doctors and patients had a detailed knowledge of all she does and endures conditions would be remedied. Nurses should have reasonable leisure time to keep up some other interest, and even a chance of fulfilling the minimum of what may be called "religious obligation."

### Why Not Object?

My correspondent, who feels her subject deeply, asks why nurses put up with bad conditions (sometimes with patients on three different floors, no lift, and all water carried from two floors away), and answers her own question: Probably because they are for the most part women with no capital behind them and because they are too tired and too much in a groove to have the courage to make a stand.

Finally she makes a good point, which is that fully-qualified women, personally responsible for the patients in their care, need more leisure than nurses training in hospital who work under sisters on whom the responsibility rests.

This is an interesting subject, which concerns many people. Perhaps other readers will have something to say either in agreement or disagreement. In the nature of things patients in nursing homes are somewhat preoccupied with their own feelings and woes, and less likely to inquire into the conditions under which their excellent nurses work than if they had minds at leisure from themselves and bodies free from pain. But few would feel comfortable to think that the nurses on whom they depend for care and attention were working under a strain.

### Exposed Food.

During the hot weather we have enjoyed for some time the sight of fish and meat exposed to dust and flies is an unpleasant one. Each year complaints are made, yet little is done. Accidents also occur, for, one day last week, I was passing through a big square in Mayfair when a butcher's boy was thrown from his bicycle and his basket of parcels fell into the road. As I watched him he picked up the meat, which in some cases had fallen from its paper, wiped the pieces and tried to combine the right piece of meat with the right address. That, however, was an accident, consequently unforeseen, but not an agreeable sight.

Perishable commodities should be kept in cases or in some other way protected, and the same might be said of cooked foods which often are exposed not only to the air but to the probing fingers of too-inquisitive customers. The sign "Please do not handle" is seen sometimes over Christmas cards and books, etc. It is even more applicable to anything which we eat. Yet one sees cakes handled to prove their freshness or lifted by the fingers of the assistants into the bag or box which we shall presently carry away. And when will it be a matter of course to deliver loaves of bread wrapped in paper cases?


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# INDIA'S "FIGHT FOR FREEDOM."

## VIEWS OF DR. TAGORE.

## "I AM PROUD OF MY PEOPLE."

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

BERLIN, Saturday

In an interview here, Dr. Rabindranath Tagore spoke of the position in India:—"In the Indian endeavour to pursue the ideals of the Mahatma in the fight for freedom," he said, "success may or may not be achieved. But I am proud of my people that they fight for higher ideals India must be an example to the whole world.

"What kind of Government India will have cannot now be foreseen. Governments develop through centuries, and should India obtain self-government this must be in accord with the character of the Indian people and with the peculiar circumstances. For the form of government suitable for India can develop only out of the atmosphere of Indian life.

"It is certain that India will have her own constitution, for India's problems are as unique as her own mental constitution. India is India."

On Monday Dr. Tagore will lecture in the Great Hall of Berlin University on "Principles of Art." He will also visit Dresden and Munich, and will make a considerable stay at Oberammergau for the Passion Play.

# PARALYSIS OF TRADE.

## BANKERS ALARMED.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BOMBAY, Saturday.

Clashes between obstinate processionists and the police, such as occurred in the centre of Bombay last night, are as nothing compared with the economic disturbances which are racking this city. Bankers will tell you the position is so grave they cannot see any light, and though the symptoms as yet manifested are alarming enough, they are only the beginning of the trouble.

The cotton market is lifeless, and the yarn piece-goods trade is in a similar plight, while yesterday the tumbling of share prices, chiefly textile, forced the Stock Exchange directors to prohibit all forward dealings. Yet, when the tariff was adopted there were hopes of a rapid appreciation in all mill shares. Since this tariff shares have fallen by nearly a million sterling, and the main factor in this is undoubtedly the political situation.

Mills, still manufacturing to stock, are bound to start short time soon, especially if people follow Mr. V. J. Patel's advice and buy no cloth for one year. Yet Ahmedabad, the home of many of these Congress leaders and the heart of the Disobedience movement, is reported to be flourishing and even wresting Bombay's trade. New mills have been erected there, and prosperity abounds.

**EFFECT OF VICEROY'S SPEECH.**

The Viceroy's announcement is undoubtedly having an excellent effect on moderate opinion, one topic of conversation being the possibility of a political amnesty for prisoners coincident with the calling-off of the Disobedience campaign. It is a pity Gandhi was not encouraged to express his views. After waiting ten days, I have received a reply from the Bombay Government turning down my application to be allowed to interview Gandhi in gaol on behalf of the SUNDAY TIMES. A motion for the release of Gandhi came up at the Bombay Council yesterday, and received strong support, the mover termed Gandhi as the country's best policeman, whose influence was the greatest restraint upon the forces of non-violence. Others, adopting a milder tone, urged his release on the grounds of creating a peaceful atmosphere for the round conference debate which is continuing on Monday.

**ROUND-TABLE CONFERENCES.**

The end of next week sees the Simla Conference of Provincial Governors on the Simon Report, and the Governor of Bombay is holding local round table conferences here on Tuesday and Wednesday in order to obtain opinions. Bombay's recent comparative quietude is due to the rainy weather, and it is impossible to say that the position here is improving. Pickets are being arrested daily, and the campaign is spreading through the schools, which are now organising Youth League Unions. The movement here is being linked up with religion, and each morning "waits" tour the city from early morning until daybreak singing politico-religious songs, following the age-old Hindu custom. Hundreds of people are thus engaged daily in their own localities, the Congress flag being carried, and Nationalist songs, interspersed with hymns, being sung. Women and children are participating in this duty, which is called Prabhat Pheri, or the morning rounds.

**500 INJURED IN RIOTS.**

Five hundred persons, Reuter's Bombay correspondent cables, are now stated to have been injured in Friday night's disturbances. One hundred and fifty of these are still in hospital, thirty having been seriously injured. Three men are now on the danger list.

Mr. Modi, President of the Bombay Congress Committee, has been sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment for having disobeyed the Police Commissioner's order prohibiting the procession, which was nevertheless organised by the Committee.

# COST OF CONFERENCE.

## BRITAIN'S SHARE PUT AT £35,000.

A Supplementary Estimate, issued yesterday, provides for the probable expenditure to be borne by the British Government in connection with the Round Table Conference on the Indian Constitution, which is put at £35,000.

This is estimated to be half the cost of the Conference, the other half being borne by Indian funds.

## "CONSCIENCE MONEY" FOR THE L.C.C.

The Public Assistance Committee of the L.C.C. yesterday acknowledged the receipt of £34 "conscience" money. One envelope contained an intimation that the sum enclosed (£27 10s.) was for the "Public Assistance Department," and the other two had in them anonymous letters and sums of £2 and £4 10s. respectively.

# SECRET TESTS AT R.A.F. BASE.

## TWO MONOPLANES ON TRIAL.

## WORLD'S FASTEST AIRCRAFT.

## 380 MILES PER HOUR MAY BE REACHED.

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Two racing monoplanes, which are believed to be the fastest craft in the world, are being tested at the R.A.F. High Speed Base, at Felixstowe. The machines, when they have been tuned up to their maximum potentialities, will be capable, it is confidently believed, of reaching a speed of 380 miles per hour. This would be considerably in advance of the world's record. Squadron-Leader Orlebar, in his flights last autumn in the Schneider trophy machine, maintained a mean speed of 357 m.p.h. Whatever the achievements may be of the monoplanes now under test, the public is not likely to be informed. The trials are being carried out under conditions of secrecy, and on inquiry at the Air Ministry I learned that it is not intended to make any announcement regarding the speeds attained.

The aeroplanes which are the subject of the present experiments are the two Gloster-Napier monoplanes which were originally built for the last year's Schneider Trophy contest. Just before the race, trouble developed with the carburation, and it was found impossible for the machines to compete.

**GREATER HORSE-POWER.**

Since September, both of the monoplanes have been overhauled and certain modifications have been made. The trouble with the petrol feed has been eliminated, and the engines have been slightly altered to produce greater horse-power. Their original nominal rating of 1,250 h.p. has, I understand, been increased to 1,275 h.p.

Alterations to the actual seaplanes—they are somewhat smaller than the Supermarine-Rolls-Royce craft which won the Trophy and then broke the world's speed record—have resulted in slight decrease of head resistance. It is confidently expected that when the machines have been thoroughly tested and tuned, they will be able to reach a speed of 380 miles an hour.

Flights have been made in the past few days by the first of the two racing monoplanes, which has been flown by Squadron-Leader Orlebar, holder of the world's speed record. The machine has been timed over the course at Felixstowe by the photographic timing device, and its speed has been carefully checked.

**NO RECORD ATTEMPT.**

Despite the potentialities of these monoplanes, no official attempt, I am authoritatively informed, will be made to establish a world's record, despite the fact that Italy, France, and America are exceptionally keen on capturing the record, and are now engaged in building special racing machines to compete in 1931 for the Schneider Trophy.

# "KNOWING MEN" IN COURT.

## BAN REMOVED.

The litigation with reference to the exhibition of the "talkie" film "Knowing Men," at the Regal Cinema, came again before the Chancery Court yesterday, when, before Mr. Justice Luxmoore, an application was made that an injunction granted on Friday should be dissolved. That injunction was granted by Mr. Justice Farwell on the application of Mr. Edward Knoblock, and he ordered that the film should not be exhibited until next Tuesday, when the matter could be further dealt with.

Mr. Cleveland Stevens, K.C., however, appearing yesterday on behalf of United Artists' Corporation, Limited, asked that the injunction should be dissolved. He said the film was framed on the book by Mrs. Elinor Glyn. The defendants to the litigation were Mrs. Elinor Glyn, Elinor Glyn, Limited, the Talkicolour Company, Ltd., the United Artists' Corporation, Limited, and the Hyde Park Cinemas, Limited.

Mr. St. John Field had stated that Mr. Knoblock, under a contract of July last year, became joint author with Mrs. Elinor Glyn of the scenario of the talking film, and he also wrote the "continuity" or stage directions. In October Mrs. Glyn disposed of the copyright in the film, without Mr. Knoblock's consent, to Elinor Glyn, Limited. The argument was that she could only dispose of the copyright with Mr. Knoblock's consent.

**INTENTION TO EXHIBIT.**

Mr. Stevens argued that the injunction was granted without the Court being in possession of all the materials and evidence. Mr. Knoblock knew all along about the intention to exhibit the film.

His Lordship, having heard an affidavit, dissolved the injunction. "It is quite clear," he said, "that, had Mr. Justice Farwell had this further material before him, he would not have granted the injunction *ex parte*."

Mr. Spens said had his clients seen the affidavit, it is probable that they would not have moved for the injunction.

In the circumstances the injunction was dissolved and the *ex parte* order was discharged.

His lordship added that the matter could come again before the Court on Tuesday.

# DEPRESSED BY WAR.

## EX-OFFICER'S SUICIDE FROM TRAIN.

Evidence was given at a Kensington inquest yesterday on the body of Richard Martin Jones (38), an Army pensioner, of Studdridge Street, Fulham, that he threw himself from a District Railway train between Kensington High Street and Notting Hill Gate stations.

Miss Phyllis Clare Lawrence, a shop assistant, who was in the same coach, said that the man got up suddenly, opened the door, looked both ways, and jumped out.

A brother said that Jones had been very depressed because of injuries received during his war service, when he was a lieutenant in the Machine Gun Corps. He was blown up on one occasion, and buried in a dug-out on another. In 1919 he was awarded a disability pension of £350 a year, and had been in and out of mental hospitals ever since.

Mr. H. R. Oswald recorded a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind.

## SIR JOSEPH ROBINSON.

CAPE TOWN, Saturday.

Sir Joseph Robinson, who was recently involved in a case in which it was alleged that £10,000 was demanded from him, left in the liner Carnarvon Castle for Germany to undergo treatment from a specialist. A doctor, who accompanied him, refused to disclose the destination, and declared that Sir Joseph's nerves were in a bad state. The length of the stay in Germany is indefinite.—*Exchange.*

# MAGISTRATE AND COUNSEL.

## BOTH APOLOGISE AFTER HASTY WORDS.

## STOCKBROKER QUOTES G.B.S.

The word that Bernard Shaw put into the mouth of Miss Dolittle in "Pygmalion" cropped up in a case heard at Marlborough Street Police Court yesterday.

Thomas Harcourt Powell, 23, of the Connaught Club, Seymour Street, was charged with using insulting words and behaviour outside the Palladium on June 18. He issued a cross-summons for assault against one of the Palladium attendants, Allen Barnsley.

The alleged assault arose out of a disturbance in the bar, in which Powell and his friends were stated to have thrown a glass from the verandah on to a glass roof. There was a scene and a struggle, and Powell alleged that he was given a black eye by Barnsley.

In support of Powell's story, evidence was given by a stockbroker, Michael Hoare, who admitted that he used bad language, and said it expressed what he thought.

At this stage Mr. Maurice Healey (for Powell) intervened. Mr. Mead said he was wasting time, and, after a few exchanges, Mr. Mead heatedly requested Mr. Healey to resume his seat, which he did, remarking: "I shall conduct my case and try to be respectful to the bench."

**THE SHAVIAN WORD.**

Invited by Mr. Mead to give the exact words he used, Hoare said: "I said, 'I think it is —— disgraceful' twice."

"Are you in the habit of using expressions of that sort—you a gentleman in an honourable profession?" asked Mr. Mead.

"No, but I did it because the thing warranted it," retorted the witness.

"Nothing warrants foul language from a gentleman," commented Mr. Mead.

"It is in a lot of books and a lot of plays," said Hoare.

"What's that to do with it?" demanded Mr. Mead. "Do you take your conduct from books and plays?"

Later Mr. Mead and Mr. Healey were apologising to each other like Brutus and Cassius. "I was rather hasty," said Mr. Mead handsomely, and Mr. Healey countered, "I was hasty, too. Mine was due to my nationality—yours to your superior knowledge."

After a friendly talk, Mr. Claud Hornby (for the Palladium) suggested compensation for the black eye, but Mr. Healey would not have it. Regret was enough, he said. He only wanted the suggestion withdrawn that Powell acted with impropriety.

This was done. Mr. Mead said it had been met in a generous way, with an additional remark on the responsibilities of the Palladium management, and there were general expressions of a happy ending.

"May I add my thanks to you for the part you have played in securing this happy ending?" asked Mr. Healey. Mr. Mead bowed, and then all hurried off to the Eton v. Harrow match.

# SEARCH FOR LOST BATHERS.

## ACETYLENE LAMPS ALL NIGHT.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

WHITBY, Saturday.

All through the night coastguards, lifeboatmen and many local residents have been searching without success for the bodies of Mr. Carmichael-Dick, of Warrington, and his two daughters, Pearl, aged 19, and Renee, aged 22, who are believed to have been drowned yesterday while bathing at Robin Hood Bay.

Mr. Carmichael-Dick and his daughters, who belonged to Great Sankey, near Warrington, went to bathe during the morning. They did not return to lunch. A visitor found their clothing at the foot of the cliff, and as no one appeared to claim it, informed the police. The sea was rough at the time, and the currents at the spot are dangerous.

There was a stiff north-westerly breeze during the night, and the sea was too rough to permit of boats being launched to take part in the search, which was conducted with the aid of acetylene and other powerful lamps.

How the accident happened is a mystery. Mr. Carmichael-Dick and his daughters were seen in the water with their hands clasped dancing in a ring by Miss Helen Mather, of Liverpool. Later she saw them about 100 yards further out, and they seemed to be capable swimmers.

The spot where the accident happened is about a mile and a half to the south of Robin Hood Bay. It is an isolated place, and is not frequented by bathers. It is feared that the bodies may have been carried southward by the wind and tide.

# THE QUEEN TO VISIT GARDEN SUBURB.

## HALL NAMED AFTER AMBASSADOR.

Crewe Hall, the latest addition to the Institute of Hampstead Garden Suburb, will be opened on Saturday afternoon by the Queen.

The hall is the third block of the institute building, which was designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, and is named after the Marquess of Crewe, the president of the institute council. For fourteen years before his appointment to the Paris Embassy Lord Crewe was president, and he did much, with Dame Henrietta Barnett, to bring the ideal to fruition.

The new block contains a laboratory, research library, craft rooms, art rooms, music-room, gymnasium, and other accommodation.

A sum of £700 is still needed to enable the institute garden scheme to be carried through, and £5,000 is required to complete the cost of Crewe Hall. Altogether the buildings have cost nearly £70,000. It is intended to build an art school and hostels for students.

The foundation stone of the Queen Mary Hall of the institute was laid by the Queen in 1918, and the completed building was opened by her in 1924.

# BRIGHTER SPORT.

## A FEW "HINTS" FROM HARROW.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

HARROW, Saturday.

A house magazine at Harrow School contains some amusing suggestions for making sport more attractive. It advocates reflecting mirrors as auxiliary weapons, and states, in the case of lawn tennis: "However hard and accurately Mrs. Wills-Moody might hit, she might easily lose owing to the confusion caused by 'dazzlers.'"

"Cricket," the article states, "is far too dull. What it needs is the introduction of sneezing powder and talkative wicket-keepers. Then wicket-keepers would be chosen for their dexterity with the sneezing powder and their remarks about the batsmen."

"What were heliograms made for? Surely to blind a fieldsman who looked like catching a ball."

"What we want is more intrigue."

# THE MIDNIGHT REVUE.

## BRILLIANT SCENE AT THE PAVILION.

## SOCIETY LEADERS ON THE STAGE.

## £11,000 REALISED FOR PRINCE'S FUND.

By A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE.

When the London Pavilion opened its doors at 11.30 on Thursday night for the Midnight Revue, given in aid of the Prince of Wales's Personal Fund for the British Legion, the London season of 1930 reached its climax. No function since Edwardian days has been attended by such a distinguished gathering.

The revue was organised by Lady Louis Mountbatten and Mr. C. B. Cochran. Crowds of people were waiting on the pavement outside the Pavilion to watch the arrivals of the brilliant throng. The occasion coincided with the fifth and final of Their Majesties' Courts, and many people came on from the Palace.

**EARLY ARRIVALS.**

One of the first to arrive was Lord Leigh, resplendent in his scarlet and black uniform of a Lord-Lieutenant. He was followed by the Duchess of Portland wearing a long white chiffon gown under her short ermine coat; a diamond tiara glittered on her head.

Many thousands of pounds' worth of jewels were worn; diamonds and emeralds glittered like fairy lights in the dim stalls and boxes of the theatre.

The Prince of Wales called for Lord and Lady Louis Mountbatten at Brook House, and they, together with Prince George, arrived at midnight. Lady Louis, whose first appearance this was since her illness, was looking beautiful in white, with a diamond necklace and tiara. A friend had sent her a bouquet of her favourite pink sweet peas. Her sister, Mrs. Cunningham-Reid, whose delicate blue dress contrasted prettily with her red hair, as vice-chairman of the appeal, and Lady Brecknock (deputy-chairman), together with Mr. C. B. Cochran, received the Prince and his party.

**LOST TICKETS.**

The last ticket for the revue was actually sold twelve days before the performance, and people were still cabling from America and the Continent begging for seats. Many had bought their tickets so long ahead that they had lost them. Lady Clementine Waring, the Marchioness of Cholmondeley, and Mrs. Kruse, who had over £500 worth of seats, were among those to whom Lady Louis Mountbatten had to give duplicate tickets at the last minute.

Mrs. Peter Thursby—to whom people still forgetfully refer as Poppy Baring—arrived in good time, but having searched her bag, could not find her ticket. She had to await the arrival of her husband, who satisfactorily arranged matters. Mrs. Thursby wore one of the fashionable short-waisted evening coats of taffeta, bordered with fur, over her white gown.

**THE PERFORMANCE.**

It was a varied and amusing programme. The curtain rose to reveal Mr. Cochran with two charwomen, and the audience were shocked to think that for such an occasion the stage had not been prepared. They roared with laughter, however, when the "charladies" were revealed as Mr. Seymour Hicks and Sir Gerald du Maurier. Miss Jessie Matthews and Sonnie Hale gave a song and dance, and Miss Emma Haig made a joint appearance with Art Fowler. Peggy Wood, Dorothy Vincent, and George Metaxa were others who sang songs.

The Prince of Wales was particularly amused by the dexterity with which Jack Powell, the clever drummer from the 1930 Revue, produced syncopated sound on kitchen utensils and even the floor. The Piccadilly scene from Cochran's Revue was another item, and then Nikitana and Serge Lifar danced *pas de deux*.

Sacha Guitry and Mlle. Yvonne Printemps came over from Paris especially to appear. They gave an amusing sketch as the Man of Yesterday and a Woman of To-day.

**LIVING PICTURES.**

Some of the most beautiful women in Society appeared later in "Lady Louis Mountbatten's Private Picture Gallery," a series of tableaux depicting the works of old masters.

The Hon. Mrs. Henry Mond was "The Portrait of a Lady," by Franz Hals, and Lady Plunket most successfully depicted a girl of twelve with long curls. Lady Patricia Moore, Miss Peggy Gordon-Moore, Mrs. Albert Van Den Berg, Lady Furness, and Lady Moira Combe were others among the living pictures. Lady Moira Combe, indeed, was kept busy changing into costumes, for she also took part later in Mrs. McCorquodale's Empire Pageant, which was also recently staged at the Albert Hall.

During the performance, Sir Louis and Lady Baron were presented to the Prince, and so were Mrs. James Corrigan, Mrs. Harry Brown, Mrs. Frank Braham, the organiser, and the Misses Foster-Hall and Wren, the two secretaries. In a charming speech of thanks to the audience, which be made from the stage, the Prince announced that £11,000 had been realised by the revue. This total had not been reached until just before His Royal Highness left his box.

**DONOR OF £400.**

Mrs. Frank Braham had found during the evening that it stood at £10,600. "What a pity," she said, to an eminent member of Parliament, "that it cannot be a round £11,000," and thereupon the honourable member gave her the necessary £400. The Prince afterwards personally thanked the donor, who wishes to remain anonymous.

Lord Louis Mountbatten paid a graceful tribute to Mrs. Frank Braham's work as organiser. "She had shown us what 100 per cent. efficiency really is," he said.

Not until 3.30 a.m. did the curtain ring down, and many people afterwards took parties on to supper.

The Duke and Duchess of Westminster, the latter wearing red, rose from their seats in the back row of the stalls to entertain a party at Taglioni's. Other hostesses I saw there were Lady Erleigh and Lady Boyne. Sir Albert Stern, Capt. Arthur Paget, and Mr. Harold Sutcliffe, who has just inherited a quarter of a million, were hosts. Lady Dufferin and Ava, who had previously attended the Midnight Revue, had a table near the Guinness family, who were being entertained by Lord Iveagh.

# A HUNDRED YEARS AGO

## Sunday Times

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THE KING'S WILL.—His Majesty has left the whole of his property to the Crown after his debts have been paid. The will is dated in 1826. There has been no codicil to this will since.

The Stock Exchange rumour that the Duke of Wellington had been killed in a duel by Prince Leopold was for some hours very generally believed in the City. An exchange of shots might almost be expected from those who are pretty well known to be "at daggers drawn."

Dr. Southey we believe, continues Poet Laureate; that is, continues to receive the pay and perquisites of that appendage to Royalty. When he took the situation it was understood he was not to produce an ode on every birthday, as Pye, Whitehead, and Cibber had done on great occasions. But if the death of one King and the accession of another are not matters of sufficient moment to be married to immortal verse, we should like to know what would be.


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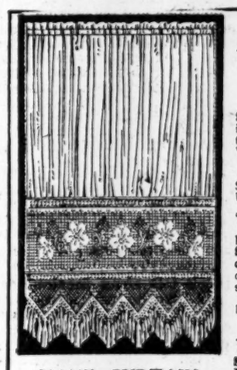

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| 18 3 x 12 11 | Soft Green | 85 0 0 | 65 0 0 |
| 17 10 x 11 11 | Soft Green | 85 0 0 | 65 0 0 |
| 15 4 x 12 1 | Rich Rose | 79 10 0 | 65 0 0 |
| 17 9 x 11 9 | Dark Blue | 89 10 0 | 69 10 0 |
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# "GENERALS DIE IN BED."

## THE AUTHOR REPLIES TO CRITICISM.

## LOOTING AT ARRAS.

**To the Editor of the SUNDAY TIMES.**

Sir,—My London publisher, Mr. Noel Douglas, has kindly sent me several cuttings which have appeared in the SUNDAY TIMES, in which your correspondents seem to imply that "Generals Die in Bed" is a reflection in some way on the heroism and the splendid fighting qualities of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. Certainly this was not my intention.

That the Canadians were courageous their recorded exploits clearly show. For me to defend them now is superfluous, and I would not do so save for the surprising inferences drawn by a few of your readers.

I am extremely grateful for the generally gracious reception of my book by the British Press and to the SUNDAY TIMES particularly for the sympathetic and analytical criticism by Mr. Ralph Straus.

Lieut.-Colonel Colin Harding's attack on my book seemed to me to be unwarranted and somewhat illogical in several important respects, and, in spite of the fact that Mr. Douglas has generously replied on my behalf, there are certain statements in the colonel's letter which I should like to answer personally.

**THE ARRAS EPISODE.**

Referring to the passage in my book which deals with the looting of Arras, Colonel Harding says:—

> I am not in a position to say whether or not the statement in this book of this most regrettable act (f insubordination is correct or not, but if this is so I should like to know by whose authority he now divulges these *ex parte* disgraceful details

While Colonel Harding is not in a position to say whether or not Arras was looted, Captain E. A. McKechnie, M.C., late Assistant Provost-Marshal of Arras, another of your correspondents, confirms the report that Arras *was* looted. Captain McKechnie, in your issue of June 8, says:—

> I will allow that Arras was looted to a certain extent, but not to the extent that Mr. Harrison wishes his readers to believe.

In reply to Colonel Harding's question as to my right to divulge these "disgraceful details," I should like to say that I wrote them of my own accord, prompted and sanctioned only by my own conscience as a thinking human being. I wrote the truth as I saw it, and by this I am prepared to stand. No other sanction, I felt, was necessary.

I now pass on to Captain McKechnie's letter. The late Assistant Provost-Marshal admits that Arras was looted by Canadian troops, and does not deny that there was a clash with the British Mounted Military Police, but concludes that "Mr. Harrison grossly exaggerates the whole affair." As a matter of fact, much more happened at Arras than is recorded in my book. The structure of "Generals Die in Bed" did not permit me to include everything which occurred, but now that the incident is under discussion perhaps it might be advisable for me to divulge additional "*ex parte* disgraceful details."

**ORDER RESTORED.**

After order had been restored among the boisterous troops of the First Canadian Division at Arras we were sent up to the front lines at Telegraph Hill. The Second Division, which relieved us at Arras, hearing of the looting of the city, continued to help themselves to what remained in the deserted shops and wine-cellars. The unlucky troops of the Second Division were caught in the act of looting by reinforcements of the Military Foot Police. For this they were duly punished.

The editor of the *Spectator*, of Palmerston, Ontario, in his issue of May 15, referring to my book, writes:—

> In the spring of 1918 Arras was so menaced that it was practically evacuated by all of its civilian population. Under the circumstances, it is not to be wondered at that some soldiers helped themselves to wine which tay about the cellars, and which appeared likely to fall into German hands. Soldiers from the Second Division were recognised as some of those who helped themselves, and for this act of several individuals the whole Second Division were given punishment by extra line duty. The punishment gave this division the right to boast of the fact that they spent more time in the line than any other Canadian division.

When "Generals Die in Bed" appeared in Canada last month not one responsible high military officer could be found, from Major-General A. G. L. McNaughton, chief of the general staff in the National Defence Department, down to former junior officers in the C.E.F., who could refute the truth of the looting of Arras or the killing of German prisoners at Amiens. On the contrary, I have received many letters from Canadian veterans who expressed pleasure at the publication of the book.

**PLEA FOR PEACE.**

Permit me to close with a tribute to the heroism and tenacious courage (we always took our objectives!) of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. That the men helped themselves to a few bottles of wine (and very good wine it was, too) and some foods and a few soldier luxuries is not to their discredit. I hope that these men will not be called away again from their farms, factories, and forests to engage in useless slaughter. I should like to think that books like mine could help in the establishment of permanent peace, but I am afraid that the description of war in literature will not deter men from fighting each other, for men have read of the horrors of battle since the days of Homer. I wish I were able to agree with Charles Edward Montague when he says:—

> Never will war be abolished unless and until the civilian knows what the soldier knows. The collective conscience of mankind will not revolt against war so long as it is made tolerable to the imagination. The moral case of ruthless veracity is irresistible.

It is now twelve years since the end of the war, and on all sides we see the nations of the world spending staggering sums on armaments, we see the same international conflict over markets, the same feverish secret diplomacy which went on before the war. At any moment the world may be plunged into another youth-consuming catastrophe. Because I abhor the thought I cannot help closing on this portentous note.

CHARLES YALE HARRISON.

*Seaman Avenue, New York City, U.S.A.*

# ST. MALO ROAD SMASH.

## FINAL COMPENSATION AWARDS.

ST. MALO, Saturday.

The Court here gave judgment to-day in the case arising out of the motor-coach accident last September, in which several British tourists were killed and injured.

Increased compensation was demanded by Mrs. Woollatt, in respect of herself and her 12-year-old daughter, who received fatal injuries. Her husband, Dr. Woollatt, was killed in the accident. Mrs. Woollatt claimed 50,000 frs. (£400) in respect of her own injuries and 25,000 frs. (£200) for her daughter. Mr. Ferguson, who was also injured, asked for 100,000 frs. (£800).

The Court to-day ordered the motor-coach company to pay 13,000 frs. (£104) in respect of Mrs. Woollatt and her daughter and 36,000 frs. (£290) to Mr. Ferguson.—*Reuter.*

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# THE DRUNKARD OF OLD.

## NOVEL "CURE" FROM 17TH CENTURY MS.

## "BRAYNES OF SWALLOWES."

## BRITISH MUSEUM'S NEW TREASURES.

**By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.**

A curious book of seventeenth century recipes and prescriptions yesterday came into the hands of the British Museum Trustees among a collection of twenty-five manuscripts presented to the Museum by Mr. Bernard P. Scattergood, F.S.A. It is remarkable both for its spellings, which include such gems as a cure for "one that is whorse" (hoarse) and "a suffron (sovereign) thynge for the hedd," and for the originality of some of the remedies.

The seventeenth century dealt kindly by the drunken sailor, or even the drunken landsman. We read "Ffor to helpe a dronken man: take swallowes and brayne them and geve the dronking man to drinke of the powder, and he shall never after be drunke."

There are also directions to the more cosmetic sex upon their make-up. "Ffor to make a woman's face well coloured: Take the marrowe-bones of swyne's feete and temper yt with warme water, and annoynt the face therewithe."

Among other acquisitions of the Department of Manuscripts are two letters from Denis, Duc de Decrées, to Joseph Bonaparte, written in 1805, immediately following the Battle of Trafalgar. In one he announces that four French ships which had escaped from the battle had since been taken by the British Fleet, while in the other he announces a threatened raid by the British on the port of Antwerp, which was not, however, carried out. A valuable deposit on permanent loan has been made by Mr. Allan Graham, A.R.I.B.A. It consists of a copy of the first edition of Rousseau's "Emile," owned by the author, and bearing in its margins the fair copy and index of an unpublished metaphysical work written by him in manuscript.

**CHOICE PORCELAIN.**

The most valuable gifts accepted by the Trustees at yesterday's meeting are probably those made to the Department of Ceramics. Mr. Harvey Hadden, who placed on loan in 1927 and 1928 a considerable number of choice pieces of Oriental porcelain and pottery, has converted his deposit into a gift outright, and added to it a further and equally valuable series of pieces, selected from his collection, to fill gaps in the Museum.

The Museum acquisitions also include the following:—

Chinese bronze mirror of the T'ang period—gift of Sir Percival David.

Choice objects of Egyptian art of the XVIII. Dynasty—bequest of Lady Maxwell.

Finely preserved English coins, including a unique half-groat struck by Henry VIII. after the capture of Tournai—purchase.

Landscape drawing by Victor Hugo—purchase.

A woodcut of the martyrdom of St. Sebastian (dated 1501) has also been secured.

# SECRET CHANNEL CROSSING.

## PRISON FOR DEPORTED MERCHANT.

A merchant named George Medawar, alias Middard who is said to have chartered a boat at Boulogne and secretly landed in England in defiance of a deportation order, was charged at Marylebone yesterday with landing at Southend without leave of the emigration officer and failing to register as an alien. Medawar, aged 43, refused to give his address.

Detective-Sergeant Stevens said that he and Detective Flash saw accused in New Street, Marylebone. They knew he had been deported to France in 1927, after serving a sentence of five months in the second division for obtaining credit without disclosing that he was an undischarged bankrupt.

In a statement made later, and signed, he said he was a "French protege" and came to England in 1913 as a merchant. When the war broke out he was an inquiry agent at the French Consulate, and he remained in that position until 1916.

**APPLICATION REFUSED.**

Meanwhile he had been carrying on his private business, but shortly afterwards he met with financial disaster. After being deported, he wrote to the Commissioner of Police, asking to be allowed to return to collect a large debt and to pay his creditors 20s. in the £1. He explained that he had entrusted a man in Paris with a large sum to invest in England on behalf of a French financial group; the man had disappeared and he wanted to come to England to trace him.

He was told that he could put the matter in the hands of a French solicitor, and that the French and English police would help him, but the deportation order must stand.

Faced with this refusal, he chartered a boat at Boulogne at a cost of £144, and landed at Southend with two other men. He had no intention of defying the English law, but he was more or less compelled by the financial group to come over here to find and sue his agent, as he was threatened with a charge of conspiracy

The magistrate sent him to prison for one month for landing without leave, concurrently with fourteen days for failing to register himself as an alien.

# COTTON CLOUD.

## SEQUEL TO EIGHT-LOOM EXPERIMENT.

An appeal to the Home Secretary is to be made by the Cotton Spinners' and Manufacturers' Association against the action of the Weavers' Union ordering the stoppage this week-end of the experiment in the eight-loom method of working, which has been in progress for some months at the Blackrod Mills of Messrs. H. C. Pateson, Limited.

Mr. T. Ashurst, the employers' secretary, points out that in the report of the Government committee of inquiry, of which the Home Secretary was chairman, it was stated that if Lancashire were to recover lost trade every practicable measure, including the use in the most economic way of the most efficient machinery, must be taken to reduce costs. Sooner or later the eight-loom question was bound to become a major one.

Last month the Central Committee of the Spinners' and Manufacturers' Association applied to the weavers to extend the experiment to all districts.

In reply the weavers urged that no hasty changes be made at the Blackrod Mills. Only sixteen out of 600 looms have been used for the experiment. There are 250 workpeople employed by the firm at Blackrod Mills, and the weavers' action may precipitate a cotton crisis.

**THE KING OF SPAIN AT OSTEND.**

BRUSSELS, Saturday.

The King of Spain, whose arrival at Ostend is expected this evening, will be seen on the Wellington Racecourse to-morrow, when several of his horses will take part in the races. The horses are entered in the name of the Duke of Toledo.

Princess Stephanie of Belgium and her husband are also expected at Ostend to-morrow.—*Central News.*

# THE PRIME MINISTER AND UNEMPLOYMENT.

## NO DOMINION AUTHORITY FOR PROTECTION PROPAGANDA.

## "MELANCHOLY CONDITION OF INDIA."

The Prime Minister, speaking last night at a Labour rally, at the Crystal Palace, said that the past week had comprehended Labour's magnificent victory in North Norfolk, and also the majority of two in the House of Commons.

"Regarding the majority, I have nothing to say. A miss is as good as a mile, and the important thing is that the Labour Government remains in office, and that the party whose performances in the Division Lobby have been somewhat uncertain, has had an experience which I hope it will not forget for a very long time."

So far as North Norfolk was concerned, if there was a constituency in the whole country which, in the ordinary course of events, they should have lost, it was North Norfolk. The conditions in North Norfolk were precisely those which, if anything were going to show that the Lavour Government was forfeiting the confidence of the country, would have justified the forfeiture of that confidence. But what happened? Those men and women, knowing perfectly well that however hard their life is at the moment, the Labour Government was their friend, and would fight for them, demonstrated that that was their conviction. That ought to encourage the Labour Party to do more and more to take away the shadow of poverty.

**INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM.**

Dealing with unemployment, Mr. MacDonald said that it was not merely a British problem. After the Government took office there was a great financial crisis, not in this country at all, and as a result the British unemployment figures began to go up.

"It is a curious thing," continued Mr. MacDonald, "that the two great crises which preceded that one came from financial collapses, and we must face this problem of why men, who are not engaged in industry either as masters or men, men who are not concerned in production, but men who by their gambling, manipulation and self-seeking, and by the way in which they manipulate credit by their operations on Stock Exchanges, can create conditions not only in one country but in the whole world, which mean that scores of thousands of men and women are turned out of work. The power of finance will have to be regulated and controlled." (Cheers.)

The time had come when the problem of producing at rates which would enable us to get the foreign markets had become a problem of how to maintain national wealth in such a way that the mass of the population would enjoy it. It was certain that no individual nation could solve that problem. It was an international question, and to meet it with proposals of Protection was folly.

**ON WHOSE AUTHORITY?**

"Why do people talk about Empire Free Trade? I would like to ask those who believe in Empire Free Trade whether they have any authority from the Dominions to engage in that propaganda. They have had none. There is not a single Dominion that has authorised any British politician to put that issue to the people of this country. There is not a single Dominion but is developing on nationalist lines its own industrial economic evolution. And there is not a member of the House of Commons, and no Government, whatever its majority may be, in this country that can force on the Dominions an economic policy in which the Dominions do not believe.

"The implication is that a Labour Government has no interest in the Dominions and no influence upon Dominion opinion. Against that I say that if the Dominions are going to come with us in economic co-operation, if the Dominions and ourselves are to devise an economic and industrial policy which will be beneficial to all of us, the Labour Government has a better chance of bringing about that agreement than a Government of any other party in this country.

"In the Dominion Conference in September we are going to do everything that can be done by a British Government to come to economic arrangements with the Dominions that will benefit the working classes of this country."

Dealing with India, Mr. MacDonald said that he wished that those who had great facility for believing things had an equal capacity to use their judgment in coming to conclusions about them. The state of India to-day was serious and it was absolutely unnecessary. What was happening was only adding to India's difficulties, and was not advancing India's chance of reaching Dominion status.

**A MELANCHOLY THING.**

"Men with whom we wish to co-operate have come to be arrested for actions which, if they themselves had been responsible for a purely Indian government, faced with conditions such as those they have created recently, would have compelled arrest of the people responsible for those conditions. The whole of this is a melancholy thing, which is unnecessary and foolish. Men who are going to be governers of states and responsible for administration ought to look ahead and understand the conditions under which alone evolution and change are possible.

"Whenever the general election may come," concluded Mr. MacDonald, "let us go away from this gathering, blythe of step, straight in battle, uplifted of head. Let us remember that we belong to the Labour Party, a party which is not merely a political party, a party which in its very soul embodies those great physical, moral and spiritual needs that must be satisfied if mankind is ever to enter into the inheritance that you were told was predestined for it."

# THE VOTE OF CENSURE.

## CONSERVATIVE WHIP'S STATEMENT.

Sir Bolton Eyres-Monsell, M.P., Chief Conservative Whip, speaking yesterday afternoon at a fête arranged by the Badsey (Worcester) Conservative Association, said that only last Wednesday Liberals had a chance of defeating the Socialists on a motion which they themselves had put forward in the House of Commons, but their anxiety lest it should mean the downfall of the Socialist Government prevented many of them from voting, with the result that the Socialists got home with a majority of two.

"It is, of course, true that if there had been a General Election before the holding of the Imperial Conference, which is to meet in the autumn, there might have been some differences of opinion among members of our party, not on the general principle of Empire Economic Unity, but on the methods by which we should advance towards our goal. There were some people in our party who thought that it would be a good thing to declare immediately in favour of taxes on foreign foodstuffs in advance of any consultation with the Dominions.

"On the other hand, the great majority of the Conservative Party entertained the view that the electors ought not to be asked to vote blindly on this question, and that such a course might enable the Socialists to win the election and thus deprive us of the opportunity of negotiating with the Dominion representatives at the forthcoming Imperial Conference."

To-day, however, a change had come over the situation, and we could all unite in a common endeavour to force the present Government to explore, at this Conference, every possible means of developing Empire trade.

"On this issue there is no difference between us, and if the Socialists attempt to limit the discussions at the Imperial Conference they will find the whole united strength of the Conservative Party against them."

# MR. CHURCHILL'S PLEDGE.

## CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR LEADER.

"I have given my loyal support to the accredited leader of the Conservative Party," said Mr. Churchill at Waltham Abbey yesterday, "and I intend to do so in the future."

He felt that from day to day evidences were provided of disunity within the Conservative Party. He had confined himself to working in the House of Commons and in the country against the Socialists who had brought evils on the country, and who must be driven out of power before any return to prosperity could be achieved. The leader of a great party was not in the free and easy position of the proprietor of a newspaper. He could not dance this way and that way, according to his mood or caprice. He was bound to consider the immense number of persons who tried to regulate their political actions in common with him.

"With these responsibilities upon him," said Mr. Churchill, "he is bound to consider gathering together under the standard of Conservatism the largest possible number of well-disposed electors. That is almost the first of all the objects to which he should set himself."

**OBJECT PROPOSALS.**

Referring to Egypt, Mr. Churchill said that he was thankful to say that the Egyptian Nationalists were not able to agree to even the abject proposals which Mr. MacDonald and Mr. Henderson had put before them. "Great insecurity and commotion had broken out, largely owing to the fact that the Socialist Government has weakened all the constitutional forces in Egypt. But for the fact that there was a strong British garrison in Cairo there would," said Mr. Churchill, "be something like civil war in Egypt just now. We have promised the nations of the world to maintain peace and tranquillity in Egypt, and if we are not ready to do so there are plenty of other Powers ready to take our place."

Dealing with the naval treaty, Mr. Churchill said that Earl Beatty showed the great danger to which we should be exposed on the sea, "not only in far distant waters, but in the narrow waters, by the fact that not only are our cruiser forces limited so that we are inferior to the United States, but the flotillas, submarines, and vessels which catch and hunt them are limited so strictly that for the first time in our history the naval power of France will become more formidable than our own in the narrow waters, and the whole of our food supply and raw material will depend entirely for its entry into this country in a few years' time on the good will of our neighbour.

"I deplore deeply that we have agreed to this treaty. I cannot understand why we should not have said to our good friend, the United States, that we must build a navy in accordance with Asiatic and European dangers. When the European programme was settled we could then have invited the United States to build equally to the programme she needs and in any class of ship she might think proper."

**RAISING FALSE HOPES.**

Speaking of India, Mr. Churchill said that he had watched with increasing anxiety the developments in that country, "Everyone who knows Lord Irwin admires his high character and knows the good will he bears to the people of India; but I doubt whether the interests of the people of India are served by concealing from them, however innocently, the real facts at issue at present. This talk of Dominion status for India has no relationship to present-day circumstances. No one wishes to set any limit to the ultimate progress of any race or community of races.

"We have never assigned any limit to the future progress and development of India within the British Empire, but no responsible person supposes for a moment that the forthcoming round-table conference can produce Dominion status for India or that Dominion status is likely to be obtained for India within the lifetime of anyone now living.

"If that be true, there is no advantage in encouraging false hopes. It will only cast them back in anger and despondency when they find that phrases have been used, however honestly and sincerely, to which they have attached one meaning, but to which a different meaning is attached in Great Britain."

# MARKETS RUN BY FARMERS.

## LABOUR POLICY.

"It is to the school and to the teacher in the school that we must look for a new conception of rural life," said the Earl de la Warr, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Agriculture, at the opening yesterday of the Padeswood Hall Demonstration Centre, near Mold, Flintshire.

He gave the assurance that Dr. Addison, the Minister of Agriculture, intended to place the development of agricultural education and research in the forefront of his policy, and went on to say that there was nothing more important than that teachers should understand the life of the countryside.

The Government were considering the possibility of giving to the majority of farmers engaged in producing a given commodity the right to form an organisation for controlling the marketing of that commodity—with power to bring in recalcitrant minorities. This would entail formulating a scheme for submission to Parliament, through the Minister of Agriculture, and satisfying him that they represented the bulk of the producers and that they had considered the rights of the minorities and of the consumer.

They did not envisage taking power to enforce a scheme of organisation upon the industry. They did envisage giving to the industry the power to organise itself. That was a great departure from old ideas. "It is probably the greatest legislative change that has ever been considered for the industry," he declared.

Internal organisation and better marketing of milk and dairy produce, potatoes, hops, wool and fruit, pig meat, and, to a large extent, even beef and mutton would lead to a far greater increase in agricultural wealth than the mere subsidising of wheat production; and, what was more, markets run by the industry itself were far safer than those dependent on the fickle will of urban voters.

**"A SHIBBOLETH."**

Sir Thomas Inskip, the Attorney-General in the last Government, speaking at Waterlooville (Hampshire) last night, said that the policy of Lord Beaverbrook and a certain section of the Press, was causing some people to think of leaving the Conservative party, but there was really no difference in Mr. Baldwin's policy of Imperial economic unity and reciprocal trade agreements with the Empire Overseas and Lord Beaverbrook's policy of Empire Free Trade.

He described Empire Free Trade as a shibboleth, and declared that the policies of Imperial economic unity and Empire Free Trade had the same ideals. Mr. Baldwin, on the lowest estimate, was most highly respected by all parties, and he (Sir Thomas) could not understand why he should be suspected because he did not go so far as others would wish him to go.

# SOVIET THREAT TO U.S.A.

## FEWER PURCHASES.

## REPLY TO BOSTON BAN.

## "SYSTEMATIC CHICANE."

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

MOSCOW, Saturday.

As Soviet Russia, in spite of her fierce efforts, is facing an adverse foreign trade balance of twenty-five millions, extreme uneasiness has been caused here by the recent seizure by the Boston Customs authorities of the cargoes of three "Red" timber ships. The cargoes were seized because Article 307 of the new American Tariff forbids the import of all goods produced wholly or partly by forced or prison labour. It is feared that this American action in Boston Harbour (famous for its "tea-parties") will furnish a compelling precedent for the Governments of all other countries enjoying similar laws.

For a whole week the Soviet authorities have abstained from public comment, because, being good Marxians, they hoped that American manufacturers, who have made heavy financial commitments for their exports to the U.S.S.R., would coerce the United States Government into raising this embargo on one of the chief Soviet exports to America. But since the "practical Yankees" do not yet seem to realise the strategical importance of the enormous purchases the Soviet is making in the United States, despite the fact that Americans buy next to nothing from Russia, and despite the absence of diplomatic relations, the official *Economicheskaia Jizn* to-day tries cracking its whip.

"America is now the classical land for contriving means of annoying us. There, chicane against our exports has now become systematic. They have levied duties, on various pretexts, on our coal, timber, and matches, and now they have placed an embargo on our timber. Can they think that they gain something by doing so? Think of it, we are actually subjected to annoyance in the country from which we are ready to import not only goods but technical advisers!

"But our managers must immediately revise their plans for buying in America, where our exports are met with bayonets. If these inadmissible measures are not cancelled forthwith, we must cut down our American purchases to the extreme minimum limit of our needs."

The *Economicheskaia Jizn* does not waste much space discussing the rights or wrongs of the application of Article 307 of the American tariff to Soviet timber. It merely argues that the new American tariff does not come into force until 1932, and asks the rhetorical question: "How can you speak of forced labour in connection with a country where Socialistic competition, the workers' enthusiasm, and the creative uprush of the proletarian mass are the main motor power of economic success? To every right-thinking man the absurdity of such a charge is clear."

# FLAMES AND FUMES

## FIREMEN IN DANGER ZONE.

Noxious fumes added to the difficulties of the firemen in dealing with an outbreak which occurred yesterday in Bridgewater Square, E.C. The fire occurred at the premises of Messrs. Strome and Co., who deal in celluloid toys.

Dense clouds of smoke arose, so that it was impossible to see across the square, and firemen who attempted to enter the premises without the protection of gas masks were driven back with streaming eyes.

Bridgewater Square is usually deserted on Saturday afternoons. It was fortunate that chance passers-by raised the alarm before the flames secured a hold, as the building is within the City danger zone, surrounded by factories and warehouses.

# AUCTIONS AND ESTATES

## A MANSION HOUSE BUILT IN 1788.

Comprising 6,200 acres, the historic estate of Gorhambury, which lies between St. Albans and Redbourn, is to be offered by auction during the coming season by Knight, Frank and Rutley on the instructions of the Earl of Verulam.

The sale will include the mansion house—built in 1788 by James, third Viscount Grimston, from designs furnished by Sir Robert Taylor—the ruins of Bacon's House, twenty-four farms, cottage properties, and woodlands of over 500 acres. The estate possesses valuable frontages.

On Wednesday, at Glasgow, Knight, Frank and Rutley will offer by auction the estate of Tillicoultry, of some 1,529 acres, on the southern slope of the Ochils, and within easy reach of Gleneagles Golf Courses. A residence, dating from about 1756, the farm of Tillicoultry Mains, the hill farm of Westerton, grass parks and feu duties will be included in the sale.

Cleeve Grange, Bishops Cleeve, three miles from Cheltenham, with some 98 acres, will be submitted by the same firm in conjunction with Young and Gilling, at Hanover Square on Thursday.

The auction of Rood Ashton, one of the principal county seats of Wiltshire, will be held by Knight, Frank and Rutley in conjunction with Simmons and Sons at Trowbridge on August 8. The property has a mansion in the domestic Gothic style, overlooking a heavily timbered park. There is a cricket ground with pavilion, and the park contains a lake of seven acres. The sale will also include the home farm, one of the best known dairy and cheese-making farms in the district. About 380 acres in all will come under the hammer.

In conjuction with Waring and Co., Gordon Prior and Goodwin will offer by auction at the Ashley Park Hotel, Walton-on-Thames, on Tuesday a compact modern freehold detached residence, Ravensdene, Walton-on-Thames, with well-laid-out gardens.

Hampton and Sons will offer at their St. James' Square rooms on Tuesday a number of freehold residential properties in Hants, Gloucestershire, Kent, Surrey, and Sussex.

Among the properties on the books of Knight, Frank and Rutley are Stoke Lodge, Stoke D'Abernon, near Cobham, with about 30 acres of land (in conjunction with Ewbank and Co.); building land known as the Camden House estate, Sutton, Surrey; Brenthurst, Tenterden Grove, Hendon, a freehold residential property; and (in conjunction with Wallington Bennett), the remaining portions of the Thickthorn estate, Kenilworth, Warwickshire, extending to about 130 acres.

Recent sales of about 1,000 acres of farms, in various parts of the country, by Knight, Frank and Rutley, include the Rookery Farm, Gisleham, Suffolk, 150 acres; Jossenblock Farm, East Langdon, Kent, 242 acres; Maynes Hill Farm, Hoggeston, Bucks, 214 acres; the Grange Farm, Hockerton, Notts, 304 acres; Magazine Farm, Sedlescombe, Sussex, 30 acres; Cophall Farm, Fairwarp, Sussex, 16½ acres; and Newland Grange, near Malvern, Worcester, 25 acres. Over £11,000 was realised by the sale of the Inshes estate, near Inverness, while Knight, Frank and Rutley also sold seven lots of the Hackford Hall estate, Reepham, for £12,625.

John D. Wood and Co. will move to-morrow from No. 6, Mount Street, where they have had offices for more than half a century, to a mansion on the east side of Berkeley Square, W.1.—No. 25—the entire house having been specially equipped for their business.

# WINDSOR ROSE SHOW.

## EXHIBITS OF HIGH QUALITY

## THE KING'S CUP.

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

WINDSOR, Saturday.

Windsor Rose Show was held to-day in the grounds of the Castle, by permission of the King. His Majesty is patron of the exhibition, and presents a cup for competition in a class for a group of roses open to all growers in the kingdom. He also extends to visitors to the show the privilege of inspecting the Royal grounds, this being the only day in the year when this is possible.

The show was a fine one, both roses and sweet peas being of the finest quality. There was keen competition for the King's Cup, which was won by Messrs. R. Harkness and Co., of Hitchin. Messrs. Chaplin, of Waltham Cross, who won the trophy last year, were a close second.

The Prince of Wales's Cup for sweet peas, open to amateurs, was won by Mr. Samuel Wallrock, of Stanmore (Middlesex), president of the National Sweet Pea Society. Major Krabbe, of Reading, was a good second.

Mr. W. E. Moore, of Ickenham, was very successful in the rose classes, carrying off four cups and two medals. Mr. E. Rayer, of Worcester, won three trophies. Sir Gomer Berry, of Farnham Chase, carried off the President's Cup with a group of greenhouse plants. There was a record entry for table decoration.

The cottagers' classes for vegetables and fruit were well filled, and, considering the dry season, the exhibits were of good quality. The non-competitive exhibits far exceeded anything previously seen at the show. Messrs. Hewitt's delphiniums were a fine display, and Baron Schroder's greenhouse plants were much admired. Baron Schroder also exhibited some fine fruit. Mr. C. J. Allgrove's gooseberries grown in pots attracted much attention; Messrs. Cutbush showed some beautiful roses; Messrs. Bide and Sons exhibited a lovely group of flowers; Messrs. C. Turner showed lovely rock garden and greenhouse plants; and Mr. W. Yandell had a wonderful exhibit of violas.

Mr. A. L. Wigan, president of the society, was in the chair at the luncheon held on the ground, and proposed the toast of the King.

**THE AWARDS.**

The following were the winners of the principal awards:—

King's Cup, open to all England, for group of roses.—1, Messrs. Harkness (Hitchin); 2, Messrs. Chaplin (Waltham Cross); 3, Messrs. Doutys (Wokingham); extra prize, Messrs. Frank Cant (Colchester).

Prince of Wales's Cup for sweet peas, fifteen distinct varieties.—1, S. Wallrock (Stanmore); 2, Major Krabbe (Reading).

Windsor Cup, presented by the Dean of Windsor for twenty-four rose blooms.—1, E. Rayer (Worcester); 2, C. Dixon (High Wycombe); 3, F. H. Fieldgate (Colchester).

Caley Cup for six varieties of roses.—1, E. Rayer; 2, C. Dixon; 3, F. H. Fieldgate.

Sir William Carter's Cup for twelve rose blooms.—1, E. Rayer; 2, F. H. Fieldgate; 3, C. Dixon.

Lady Julia Folletti's Cup for twelve rose blooms.—1, R. White (Thame); 2, N. Fletcher (Farringdon); 3, F. H. Fieldgate.

Romanne Cup for twelve rose blooms, open to amateurs within ten miles of Windsor.—1, W. S. Cottingham (Maidenhead); 2, Rev. F. G. A. Phillips (Taplow); 3, A. L. Wigan (Windsor Forest).

Mrs. Walter Legge's Cup for six rose blooms.—1, W. E. Moore (Ickenham); 2, W. G. Cox (Hitchin); 3, Hon. C. E. Irby.

The late F. A. Govett's Cup for twelve rose blooms.—1 W. E. Moore; 2, Mrs. Maude (Englefield Green).

J. Railton's Cup for six rose blooms.—1, W. G. Cox; 2, W. E. Moore; 3, Mrs. Maude.

Alderman G. Mitchell's Cup for vase of twelve Carnations.—1, W. Burness (Farnham Royal); 2, Mrs. G. Jurgens (Englefield Green); 3, H. Innes Stokes (Marlow).

The late Lady Dyson's Cup for most tastefully decorated dinner table (open to lady amateurs).—1, Mrs. Charlton (Yiewsley); 2, Mrs. A. Robinson (Maidenhead); 3, Mrs. Percy Tickler (Datchet).

Sir John Aird's Cup for sweet pea open class for amateurs.—1, S. Wallrock; 2, Major Krabbe.

Samuel Osborn's Cup for six rose blooms.—1, W. E. Moore; 2, W. G. Cox; 3, M. S. Dandridge (Chalvey).

Mrs. Fortescue's Cup for sweet peas.—1, G. M. Tyldcu Wright (Winkfield); 2, F. Purfoot (Maidenhead).

Ronald Vickers Cup for six rose blooms.—1 M. S. Dandridge; 2, G. Mitchell (Windsor); 3, J. W. Paxe (Slough).

Mrs. Mabel Pratt's Cup for best decorated dinner table.—1, Mrs. D. F. Watson (Windsor Castle); 2, Mrs. L. Bishop (Windsor); 3, Mrs M. Morley (Burnham).

Lady Mary Crichton's Cup for bunches of roses —1, Messrs. A. Warner (Colchester); 2, Frank Spooner (Woking).

Baroness Campbell's Cup for vegetables.—1, A. May (Windsor); 2, W. G. Wilkins (Staines); 3, V. Brant (Old Windsor).

Walter Burness's Cup for sweet peas (cottagers).—1, V. Brant; 2, C. W. Bean (Windsor); 3, G. S. Putnam (Slough).

Lady Carter's Cup for best honorary exhibits.—Messrs. Hewitt (Solihull, Warwick).

A. L. Wigan's Cup for group of stove and greenhouse plants.—1, Sir Gomer Berry (Farnham Chase); 2, Baron Schroder.

Walter Burness's Cup for twelve roses.—1, W. E. Moore.

Mrs. Avery Tyrrell's Cup for miniature rock garden.—1, W. T. Sheppard (Windsor); 2, Lady Fairhaven (Englefield Green).

MEDALS.

National Rose Society's Silver Medal for best rose exhibited by nurserymen.—Messrs. B. R. Cant (Colchester); by an amateur.—Norman Fletcher.

Mrs. Foley Hobbs' Bronze Medal.—W. E. Moore.

Bronze Medal for best tea (local).—W. E. Moore.

Bronze Medal for Best H.T. (local).—W. G. Cox.

National Sweet Pea Society's Medal for best vase.—F. Burfoot.

# ELVES OF AN AGED OAK.

## ARTIST'S CURIOUS WORK.

An artist who obtains results merely by accentuating or defining the forms Nature has already provided is at present at work on an oak tree in Kensington Gardens. He is Mr. Ivor Innes, and the particular branch of art which he follows is known as Griglan.

Mr. Innes explained to a reporter yesterday how he works. "It is incorrect to say that I carve," he said. "I simply take the forms which are already on a tree trunk or a root. Perhaps you will understand better what I mean when I say this. You have heard of seeing faces in the fire or forms in a cloud. That is exactly how roots and tree boles appear to me. I intensify those figures. A touch or two with a chisel and a little paint to show up my 'picture' better—and there you are. I can find fairies, elves—all sorts of things.

"The oak on which I am at present engaged in Kensington Gardens was a derelict which was brought from Richmond Park and set up in the ground here so as to give it a more realistic appearance. It is 800 years old, and about twenty feet in girth. Next week, I believe, when I have completed my task, it is to be officially 'unveiled.'"

The word Griglan, Mr. Innes said, was Gaelic, and meant root, or heather root. "So far as I am aware," he added, "I am the only Griglan artist."

**BUILDING COOL HOUSES.**

Happy is the house-owner who, in these warm days, can say that his house is designed to protect the occupant from heat and glare.

At Bexhill-on-Sea a new note has been struck in a house designed by Stevens and Son, local architects. The white finish of the walls and the small mullioned windows keep out excessive heat.

The Spanish influence in architecture is seen in the ironwork that protects the lower windows, and the square interior courtyard looks cool and inviting. The windows are of leaded glass, the doors heavily studded and deeply recessed, and the style of the structure gives the architect an opportunity for a judiciously placed turret. It is a type of house admirably suited to the South Coast.

A NEW MAID OR MANSERVANT?—The help you require may be found in the Situations Bureau columns of the SUNDAY TIMES, or obtainable by advertising for it. The rate is 1s. a line. See page 25.

# M. TARDIEU AND HIS ENEMIES.

## STORMS AHEAD IN THE CHAMBER.

## SOLID OPPOSITION.

## A RADICAL-SOCIALIST ALLIANCE.

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

PARIS, Saturday.

The parliamentary session has been brought to an end amid scenes of great excitement. The Radicals, Socialists, and Communists did not want a holiday; they desired first to bring down the Government. M. Tardieu has had an exciting week, fighting for the life of his Government almost every day.

The pretexts invoked in order to put a question of confidence were, for the most part, futile. His opponents thought that as M. Tardieu had only a majority of four in the Senate he might be brought down in the Chamber if the late postal strike were discussed; but he refused to give them the opportunity to re-open this matter. He took his courage in his hands, read the Decree closing the Session, and left the Chamber accompanied by his Ministers.

The indignant protests made by M. Herriot and the other leaders of the Opposition parties indicate the birth of another *Cartel*. The Radicals and Socialists, who were at loggerheads a short time ago, have closed their ranks. They are determined to upset the Tardieu Government by fair means or foul.

M. Tardieu is not attacked on any great question of home or foreign policy, and surprise is expressed, in circles which appreciate his work and his worth, that he should make almost every subject a matter of confidence. It was on a minor matter that the last Government was defeated.

The opposition to M. Tardieu is stronger than ever, and storms are inevitable when Parliament resumes. But the Prime Minister and his supporters are confident of their ability to weather them.

# SPEECH DAY AT UPPINGHAM.

## MR. JUSTICE ACTON'S VIEW OF YOUTH.

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

STAMFORD, Saturday.

A company of nearly 1,200 assembled at Uppingham School speech day to-day.

The Headmaster, the Rev. R. H. Owen, in a review of the year, alluded to the fellowship gained by C. M. H. Waldock at Brasenose College, Oxford, and to a number of first classes won by old boys at the Universities. The committee appointed in 1927 for the purpose of purchasing school boarding houses had made good progress, and at the end of this year ten of the thirteen would belong to the school. Mr. Owen said he thought many people were losing the art of working devotedly at the business they were paid to do. If every man fortunate enough to have a job would do the job he was paid for and devote himself to it instead of spending time and energy on a hundred and one other things, England would be happier, more efficient and more prosperous.

Mr. Justice Acton, who distributed the prizes, said fifty years had elapsed since he first entered Uppingham School and spent five happy years under Dr. Edward Thring, who had been referred to

# WORLD'S M.P.'s.

## 500 DELEGATES COMING TO LONDON.

## TRADE AND EMPIRE PROBLEMS.

The Inter-Parliamentary Union Conference will open in London on Wednesday, and will sit until July 22. Five hundred delegates, representing thirty-one parliaments of the world, and including many who have held responsible positions in their own Governments, will attend. The British Empire will be well represented, as delegates are coming from Canada, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, and India.

The British Group will be represented by seventy-three members, including Viscount Cecil, Sir Robert Horne, M.P., Mr. F. W. Pethick-Lawrence, M.P., and Sir Herbert Samuel. The organisation of the conference is in the hands of the executive committee of the British Group, of which Lieutenant-Commander J. M. Kenworthy is the chairman and Mr. Rennie Smith, M.P., the hon. secretary. The Duke of Sutherland is president of the Group, and will preside over the proceedings. The Council of the Union will hold its meeting on Tuesday in Westminster Hall.

**MR. HENDERSON'S SPEECH.**

The Foreign Secretary (Mr. Henderson) is expected to make on Wednesday an important speech on British foreign policy and the general international situation. The remaining three days of the Conference will be occupied in discussing the reports and resolutions of the standing committees of the Union. These will include a debate on the international control of trusts and cartels, introduced by Baron Szterenyi, Minister of Trade for Hungary. This debate will raise the problem of agriculture in relation to the growing trustification of the urban industries of Europe and the world. A further session is to be devoted to discussion of the Kellogg Pact.

There will be a debate on the present evolution of the Parliamentary system, and in view of the great changes which have taken place in political situations in Europe during recent years frank discussion of democracy as a method of government is likely. The final session is to be devoted to the problem of international minorities.

The King has invited the heads of delegations to Buckingham Palace on Monday, July 21, and has invited all the delegates and their ladies to Windsor Castle on July 19. There will be a Government reception to the visitors at Lancaster House on Wednesday.

The Irish Group has invited the delegations with their ladies to visit Dublin after the conference in London.

# BARRIERS ON THE PAVEMENT.

## CHIEF CONSTABLE'S IDEA.

"I would like to see something more than barriers outside recreation grounds and schools. I would like to see them all along the pavements to prevent people slipping off except at authorised crossings. It may sound Utopian, but it will have to come if we are to prevent this lamentable state of affairs going on."

Mr. John Williamson, the Chief Constable of Northampton, made this statement at an inquest yesterday on the body of Albert Thomas George Adams, a five-year-old schoolboy, of Blenheim Road, Far Cotton, Northampton, who was run over and killed by a motor-car on Thursday, when he ran across the road.

Already this year five people have been killed and a hundred injured in Northampton streets, and Adams was the third infant victim. The car which knocked him down was driven by Mr. J. Tringle, of Glebe Avenue, Kettering, who was exonerated from blame. He said he had had no sleep since the accident, and that every time he saw a child he thought of Adams under his car.

A verdict of accidental death was returned.

# LORD FURNEAUX.

## TO SPEAK AT "ANTI-RED" MEETING.

Lord Furneaux, son of the Earl of Birkenhead, is entering the political arena at the age of 22. He is expected to attack the Government with something of his father's gifts of phrase when he addresses 3,000 people at the Central Hall, Westminster, on Friday, July 25, on the subject of the Moscow "Reds."

Commander Oliver Locker-Lampson, M.P., is arranging this meeting owing to the fact that for the one held at the Albert Hall on June 24, thousands were unable to gain admission.

# "SAVING" THE UNEMPLOYED.

## LONDON'S TRAINING PLANS.

## EFFECT OF YEARS OF IDLENESS.

## NEED FOR TONIC REGIME.

The report of the Public Assistance Committee of the London County Council, which has been considering the arrangements for setting to work, training and instructing able-bodied men to whom relief other than institutional relief is afforded, will be presented at the Council meeting on Tuesday.

"Speaking generally," the Committee state, "we are of opinion that the destitute unemployed men in good health with whom the Council has to deal are those whose failure to obtain work is not so much due to economic circumstances as to their own weakness of character, mind, or physique. This is not to say that the men are insincere when they state that they would rather work than live on poor relief, but their willingness to work needs to be reinforced by discipline, encouragement, and training."

The first object, the report continues, "is to combat the demoralisation of months or even years of idleness, and to instil into those who have suffered this a greater readiness and fitness for any regular work available. This object must be assisted by a tonic régime of open-air exercise and regular effort."

**COST OF TRAINING.**

The Committee make various suggestions with regard to the course of training at the residential colonies at Belmont, Hollesley Bay, and Laindon. The cost of the training for the remainder of the financial year is estimated at £12,000. If, however, more than 1,000 are trained, the estimate would be proportionately increased.

"As we consider that every effort should be made to increase the number of trainees as quickly as may be practicable, we think that approval is desirable of an estimate of £20,000. The expenditure in the financial year 1931-32 and in each subsequent year we estimate at £40,000, in the hope that such progress will be made that it will next year be possible to deal with the cases of at least 2,000 men."

**NATURE OF THE TRAINING.**

The Committee recommend the use of both residential and non-residential centres, and that the training should include digging and other work on the land, utilitarian services connected with institutions, boot-repairing, carpentering and brush-making, and, in appropriate cases, stock, arable, and fruit farming.

Persons sent to non-residential training centres, it is added, should attend for a total weekly period of 32 hours.

# GREAT FIRE IN PARIS.

## "NOUVELLES GALERIES" DESTROYED.

**By OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

PARIS, Saturday.

Firemen from all the Paris stations were employed in fighting a fire which broke out at the "Nouvelles Galeries," a large store on the Boulevard Bonnes Nouvelles, shortly after midnight. No fewer than 200 hoses were at work, and it was 3 o'clock this morning before the firemen got the upper hand of the conflagration. The damage to the building and the goods is estimated at many millions of francs, and three firemen were injured.

The flames, surging from the windows and roof, lit up half the capital. At one time it was thought that the fire would spread to adjoining buildings, which were hastily evacuated. Hoses, however, were kept playing on the nearest buildings, and the flames did not take hold. Two hours after the outbreak the whole inside of the store collapsed with a thunderous crash, and the fire died down for lack of fuel. Two firemen were injured by falling masonry.

Hundreds of theatre-goers joined the spectators in the Boulevard, so that police reserves had to be called out to keep back the crowd. Now and again formidable explosions were heard, and torn rags and paper were found as far away as the Hotel de Ville—nearly a mile distant. M. Tardieu joined the crowd of spectators at 2 o'clock.

# SOURCE OF THE THAMES.

## PLAN TO NAME SITE OF SEVEN SPRINGS.

## BEAUTY SPOT IN THE COTSWOLDS.

**FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.**

GLOUCESTER, Saturday.

One of the most interesting spots in the Cotswold Hills is Seven Springs, lying adjacent to the main Cheltenham-Cirencester road. Although there are several springs in the Cotswolds which are claimed as the source of the Thames, Seven Springs is undoubtedly the highest and furthest group of springs, and is generally accepted as the true source of the river.

Unless a visitor to the Cotswolds knows of Seven Springs, and sets out to find them, he will pass them unnoticed, except as being a pretty pool in a little wooded hollow, for there is nothing to show that there the mighty Thames has its birth. The only notice is one requesting the public not to deposit rubbish there. The Springs really rise in a hill near Seven Springs, but they run underground until they issue in seven tiny trickles from a rocky bank. Sometimes the Seven Springs can be easily distinguished and counted, but when the flow is greater additional streams appear to exist. The springs combine to form a little rocky pool from which the river develops.

A movement is now on foot to lay out the plot of land which surrounds the springs and to name it. If sufficient funds are available, the idea is to collect the springs into a statuesque fountain.

Meanwhile the springs are in a rather invidious position, for nobody admits ownership, and all who might possibly be liable for their preservation hold aloof. The owner of the adjoining land disclaims all liability, and the county highway authority also declines responsibility. The only possible owner appears to be the lord of the manor (Colonel Elwes).

Until a few years ago the site of the springs was what has been described as a "noisome ditch." It was entirely neglected and rubbish was dumped there. Upon a representation from the Thames Conservators the site was cleared, and a rail, with a stile in it, placed round it to guard the road.

Seven Springs is in one of the most beautiful spots in the Cotswolds, and many visitors from all parts of the world go there, and it is felt that Seven Springs should be made as attractive as its geographical importance warrants.

# YOUTH AND THE CHURCH.

## THE BISHOPS' TOPICS.

The following official *communiqué* on the Lambeth Conference was issued yesterday:—

"Saturday was devoted to Youth and Vocation. The subject was introduced by the Bishops of London and St. Albans, who were followed by the Bishops of Portsmouth, Nasik, New Hampshire, Ripon, and Whitby.

"The session closed at one o'clock, and a committee was appointed to consider the whole subject and report to the full conference.

"The conference will now separate into six special committees, with the necessary sub-committees, which will meet during the coming fortnight for the preparation of reports for which the committee alone will be responsible, and for the resolutions to be submitted to the full conference.

"The full conference will resume on Monday, July 28, and will meet continuously till August 9."

# HOUSES AND LANDS.

## ATTRACTIVE PROPERTY IN DEVON.

On the Devon and Dorset borders an attractively built country house overlooking the lovely valley of the Aye, is being offered by Messrs. Harrods, Ltd.

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# CHILDREN ACT PROSECUTION.

## ILLNESS AT A PRIVATE SCHOOL.

## N.S.P.C.C. CASE.

## MISTRESS ACCUSED OF NEGLIGENCE.

Mrs. Hilda Caroline Trimm Fearn, principal of Merevale High School, Bickley, again appeared before the Bromley (Kent) magistrates yesterday, summoned by the N.S.P.C.C. under the Children Act, 1900, for unlawfully neglecting ten children in a manner likely to cause them unnecessary suffering or injury to their health. She was defended by Mr. L. O'Malley.

The names of the children are Veronica Joyce Elizabeth Budd, aged 8 years; Cecil Anthony, 9; Margaret Ayling, 7; William Aucutt, 8; John Chappell, 7; Peter Chappell, 5; Donald McPherson, 6; Gladys Anderson, 9; Pettina Patricia Glyn, 8; and Doris Lunn, 5.

Mr. B. H. Waddy, for the prosecution, said at a previous hearing that Mrs. Fearn had forty-five pupils, of whom thirty were boys, and she failed to take proper steps to procure medical and other attention in case of measles, ringworm, and other diseases. On June 8 Veronica Budd died.

Elizabeth Owers, of Sydenham, a registered foster mother, said that Donald McPherson had been in her care since he was a baby. In 1928 she placed him at Merevale with Mrs. Fearn. When he came home for the summer holidays he had chicken pox.

Last month Mrs. Fearn told her that Donald was in hospital with ringworm, that he had infected the whole school, and was going to get her into serious trouble. She told Mrs. Fearn that she was very sorry.

James Alexander Anderson, of Alberta Street, Kennington, said that after the death of his first wife he placed his two children with Mrs. Fearn. During the summer of 1929 Mrs. Fearn told him there was something wrong with Gladys's head, but she thought it would be all right, as she had been seen by the doctor. He first heard that Gladys had ringworm this year, after she had been admitted to Farnborough Hospital.

Mrs. Elsa Glyn, of Sunderland Terrace, Bayswater, said her little girl Pettina went to Merevale during the summer holidays of 1929. She telephoned to Mrs. Fearn at the beginning of last Easter holidays and said she would come for the child next day. Mrs. Fearn said the baby had been isolated, that she herself had been looking after her, and that the child was nearly well. That was the first she heard of her daughter having ringworm, although she understood from Mrs. Fearn that the child had been suffering nearly the whole of the term.

**DISEASE CAUSED BY A CAT.**

Leonard Cecil Lunn, of Lower Road, Rotherhithe, said he sent his daughter, Doris, to Mrs. Fearn, in September, 1929. While she was home for the holidays he noticed something wrong with her head. She was treated at hospitals, and returned to school on June 6 with a clean bill of health. The last thing he knew was that Doris had been sent to the Farnborough Institution suffering from ringworm.

In reply to Mr. O'Malley, he said the source of infection was traced to the cat, which had to be destroyed. He and his wife visited the child every other Sunday. They were satisfied with the food and with the care and attention given to the child.

Dorothy Privett, of the Dug-Out, Molescombe, aged 21, said she was employed at Merevale from January until June 8 as matron. "When I got to the school," said Miss Privett, "I noticed many of the scholars had ringworm, and that their heads were in a disgusting condition. I told Miss Fearn, but she said they had only spots on their heads.

"I told Mrs. Fearn that she should have medical advice, but she ignored what I said to her. I emphasised that it was a serious thing, and that the children should be isolated."

Miss Privett said that her sister, aged 19, was assistant matron, and in addition to nursing the sick children they had to carry out their normal duties. The only additional help was that on the day Mrs. Fearn went to the Derby, her sister, aged 14, helped in the kitchen.

Miss Privett agreed that when she took the post she represented herself as being 23 years of age, and as having had two years' hospital experience at Brighton. Her experience was only one month.

Do you think one month's experience was enough to qualify you as a nurse?—I am qualified as a matron, and I have had two years' training in domestic science. I am quite capable of carrying out my duties as a matron, but not as a trained nurse."

**WASHING AND IRONING.**

Miss Privett said that all the washing was done under the same tap, and the ironing stood about for weeks.

Mr. O'Malley: But was not that your duty?—No. I often did it because I could not let the children go about in filthy clothes. When the mothers were coming Mrs. Fearn would rush in and say: "Oh, nurse, rub up so and so, and make him presentable. His mother is here." (Laughter.)

Mr. O'Malley: You are very vindictive?—I don't mean to be vindictive. I wish to tell the whole truth. When the cases of measles arose, Mrs. Fearn said to me: "Oh, measles is nothing, matron; it is only a child's complaint."

Replying to Mr. R. W. James, chairman of the magistrates, the witness said that a night nurse was necessary, but they never had one. She often worked from 5 a.m. until nearly midnight, and when Joyce Budd was lying ill she was on duty from 5 a.m. until 3 a.m. the next day.

The case was adjourned until July 26.

# BANKER ACCUSED OF CONVERSION.

## BAIL REFUSED.

Vogoslav Anton Givrilovitch (37), described as a banker, of Monier, Geneva, and stated to be a Serbian subject, was charged at Croydon Borough Police Court yesterday with having, in July of last year, converted to his own use, or for the benefit of some other person, 180 bearer certificates of 25 shares each in the Société Français des Pétroles de Malaposka.

Detective-Inspector Thomas Nicholls, of New Scotland Yard, said that when the warrant was read to him on Wednesday in Hamburg he replied, "I understand." Later, when he was shown the warrant, he said, "It is not true."

A remand was ordered.

Mr. Roger Winn, applying for bail, said that Givrilovitch had substantial property in this country, and also had a relative living near.

The Chairman (Mr. A. Peters): The application can be renewed at a later hearing. At the present stage, we think it wise not to grant bail.

**AQUITANIA'S "HUSTLE."**

The Cunard liner Aquitania is bringing over 1,600 passengers from New York. She has made the double crossing of the Atlantic, including her stay on the other side, in fifteen days instead of the usual seventeen. This necessitated a very rapid turn-round in New York.

The ship disembarked her passengers, refuelled, re-stored, was cleaned from stem to stern, and embarked her eastbound passengers in a period of thirty-five hours. This speeding-up was necessary in order to permit the vessel to remain a week in Southampton for her annual overhaul.

# POSED AS DOCTOR

## EX-FORGER'S FRAUD ON A CAMBRIDGE GIRL.

## 'DEBT OF HONOUR LIE.

Harry Morris, who had previously served three months for forgery, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment at Cambridge, yesterday, on a charge of obtaining over £50 by false pretences from Miss Irene Hollie Beatrice Watts, of Parisian House, Milton Road, Cambridge.

Miss Watts stated that she met Morris on June 14 during the boat races, when he said he had had a tiring time at Addenbrooke's Hospital, and introduced himself as a doctor. During their acquaintanceship he visited her house, and on various occasions referred to Charing Cross Hospital and Addenbrooke's Hospital, offering to take her round both of them.

He led her to believe he was a doctor, that he attended the out-patients and performed operations, that he was an M.A. of St. John's College, and had been at Cambridge, on and off, for seven years; also that he had his last part of the medical examination to pass to get his F.R.C.S. degree.

She believed all this to be true; and, about a week after, he told her he could not sleep at night, referred to his financial position, and said his mother allowed him £80 a month. He said that if he could only get £12 to pay a debt of honour to his tutor he could tide matters over.

She let him have War Savings Certificates to the value of £41, and the next night he brought a form from the bank and she signed it.

**"DR. MAWSON."**

Later on, he told her he was in further difficulties, and said he did not mind asking her for money because she had been kind to him. She gave him two £5 notes.

Cross-examined by Mr. Henderson, Miss Watts denied that she picked Morris up in the street. She met him in company with friends.

Mr. Henderson: Then you just smiled at him?—He introduced himself as "Dr. Mawson."

She explained that she became friendly with him, but she did not know that he was Harry Morris until last Saturday. She remembered signing the letter to the bank, authorising transfer of the money to his account; but he held his finger over the name, and she had not read the letter.

Mrs. Holland Watts, Miss Watts's mother, said that she and her husband and Morris went to the police station, where he was detained.

Mr. Henderson: Did you think your daughter was going to marry Mr. Morris?—No; nothing of the kind.

Evidence was given that Morris was unknown at Addenbrooke's Hospital and St. John's College, and a bank cashier proved that the money had been paid into the account of Maurice Harry Morris.

**PRISONER'S CAMOUFLAGE.**

Morris, giving evidence, said he first met Miss Watts three weeks or a month ago in Victoria Avenue, where she was riding a bicycle. She got off and spoke to him. She put her bicycle in a boat house and went out with him that evening. He told her he was Dr. Mawson, as, being a stranger, he thought it best not to give his right name. He visited her home, and she said, "Don't tell my people anything about it."

Morris's record showed that he was born in Carlisle, in 1889, of Jewish parentage. He had served three months for forgery in 1927, and been charged with obtaining credit to the amount of £29, being an undischarged bankrupt.

The sum of £9 in Morris's bank account, and cash in his possession, was handed over to Miss Watts.

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# TO-DAY'S EVENTS.

## THE CHURCHES.

St. Paul's Cathedral.—10.30: Bishop Heywood; 3.15: Rev. W. H. Elliott, M.A., Canon in Residence; 7: Bishop of Manchester.

Westminster Abbey.—10.15: Rev. A. G. C. Pentreath, M.A., Master of the King's Scholars, Westminster School; 3: Rev. C. S. Woodward, M.C., M.A., Canon in Residence; 6.30: Ven. R. C. Jeynt, M.A., Archdeacon of Kingston-on-Thames.

Southwark Cathedral.—11: Rev. Canon Durell, B.D.; 6.30: Rev. Canon H. G. Monroe, M.A., Canon in Residence.

Chapel of the Savoy.—11.15 and 6: Rev. H. B. Chapman.

St. Martin-in-the-Fields.—11.30: Morning Service, Bishop of Northern Queensland; 11.30: Service for Young People (Crypt); 6.15: Evening service. 8: Service to be Broadcast: Dr. H. R. L. Sheppard, C.H., Dean of Canterbury.

St. Sepulchre, Holborn Viaduct.—11: Rev. F. W. Baggallay; Choir of the College of St. Nicolas, Chislehurst (School of English Church Music); 6.30: Evensong and Sermon.

Priory Church of S. Bartholomew the Great, West Smithfield.—11: The Rector, the Rev. Canon E. Sidney Savage, M.A.; 6.30: Musical Service.

Bow Church (St. Mary-le-Bow), Cheapside.—11: T.D. (Gladstone in F); H.C. (Ireland in C); 6.30: Introit, "Lift up your hearts" (Walford Davies), Bishop of Colombo.

St. Clement Danes, Strand.—11: The Rector; 3.15: Rossini's "Stabat Mater" (100th time), full orchestra; 6.30: Evensong: Handel's "Saul," full orchestra.

St. Anne's, Soho.—11.30: Rev. W. H. Braine; 6.30: Rev. B. G. Bourchier.

All Hallows, Barking-by-the-Tower.—11: Rev. G. J. Moore, M.A.; 6.30: Rev. L. S. R. Beckley, M.A.

St. Margaret, Westminster.—11: Rev. K. E. Kirk, Fellow of Trinity College, Oxford; 7: Rev. Eustace Jervis.

Brompton Parish Church.—11: Bishop of Gloucester; 6.30: Rev. H. H. Lowe (Rural Dean of Kensington).

Gray's Inn Chapel.—11.15: Rev. Canon W. R. Matthews, D.D., preacher of the Society.

St. George, Hanover Square.—11: Ven. Archdeacon Thicknesse; 6.30: Rev. A. V. Dixon.

St. James's, Piccadilly.—11 and 6.15: Bishop of Ontario.

St. Thomas' Church, Regent Street.—11: Father Wheatley; 6.30: Rev. J. L. T. Evitt.

Christ Church, St. Marylebone, Cosway Street.—11: Rev. W. A. Potter; 3.15: Rev. T. G. Brierley Kay; 6.30: Music.

St. John's Church, Regent's Park.—11: Rev. T. G. Brierley Kay; 6.30: Music.

Holy Trinity, St. Marylebone.—11: Dean of Maritzburg; 3.15: Children; 6.30: Rev. Dr. C. G. Shaw.

St. Marylebone Parish Church.—11: Rev. Dr. Morrison; : Special Musical Service.

Holy Trinity, Paddington.—11 and 6: Rev. J. M. Vallance.

St. Mark's, North Audley Street, W.1.—11: Rev. Stacy Waddy; 6.30: Rev. Eric Barnes.

St. Ethelburga the Virgin, Bishopsgate, E.C. 11 and 6.30: Rev. Dr. Geikie-Cobb.

St. Mary-at-Hill, Eastcheap.—7: "North Norfolk," the Rector.

Westminster Cathedral.—12: Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, D.D. (Washington University); 3.15: Vespers and Benediction; 7: Rev. Hugh Pope, D.D.

The Oratory, South Kensington.—10.45: High Mass (Missa Brevis, Palestrina); 3.30: Vespers and Benediction.

Church of the Jesuit Fathers, Farm Street, Berkeley Square, W.1.—12: Rev. F. Woodlock, S.J.; 3.30: Rev. F. C. Devas, S.J.

St. Columba's (Church of Scotland), Pont Street, S.W.—11: Rev. Dr. Archibald Fleming; 6.30: Rev. Ian R. Gillan.

Marylebone Presbyterian Church.—11 and 7: Rev. Harris Kirk, D.D., of Baltimore.

St. John's Presbyterian Church, Allen Street, Kensington.—11: Rev. W. Purves Boyes, M.A.; 6.30: Rev. W. D. Maxwell.

Regent Square Presbyterian Church, W.C.—11 and 7: Rev. Ivor J. Roberton, D.D.

City Temple.—11 and 7: Rev. F. W. Norwood, D.D.

Kensington Chapel, Allen Street.—11 and 6.30: Rev. G. H. Wright, M.A., D.Litt., of Adelaide.

Westminster Congregational Church, Buckingham Gate.—11 and 7: Rev. Hubert L. Simpson, M.A.

Central Hall, Westminster.—11 and 7: Rev. Dinsdale T. Young, D.D.; evening subject, "John Wesley's Journals—A Study in Practical Religion"; 11: "John Wesley as a Young Man."

Kingsway Hall.—11 and 7: Rev. C. Ensor Walters; 6.30: Recital by Mr. Allan Brown, F.R.C.O.; vocalist, Miss Blanche Allen; 3.30: Kingsway Fellowship, Rev. Howard N. Burton, "The Virtue of Necessity."

Wesley's Chapel, City Road.—11: Rev. S. Varcoe Cocks (Australia); dedication of Australian Window by High Commissioner for Australia, and others; 6.30: Rev. Geo. H. McNeal, M.A.

Guildhouse, Eccleston Square, S.W.1.—6.30: Prof. Percy Dearmer, D.D.

Spiritualist Community, Grotrian Hall, 115, Wigmore Street, W.—11: Mr. Percy Scholey: Clairvoyant, Mrs. Kent; 7: Service transferred to the Albert Hall.

Theistic Church, Æolian Hall, 135, New Bond Street.—11: Rev. J. Tyssul Davis. Subject: "British Art in Burlington House."

# THE WEEK'S DIARY.

**TO-MORROW.**

Duke of Connaught attends Festival Dinner of Society for Army Historical Research, Armoury of Honourable Artillery Company, 7.45.

Duke of York presides at annual general meeting of the British Empire Cancer Campaign, House of Lords, 4.30.

British Empire League: Earl of Stradbroke presides at dinner to meet representatives of the Colonies, British Empire Club, 7.30.

Committee for the Preservation of the Fram: Norwegian Minister and Lord Cecil of Chelwood attend meeting in honour of late Dr. Nansen, Royal Society of Arts, 5.

Lyceum Club United Empire Circle: Viscountess Elibank presides at Cyprus dinner, 7.45.

Sir Flinders and Lady Petrie "At Home" in connection with Half-Century Celebration of Researches, University College, 4.30.

**TUESDAY.**

Duke of Connaught unveils Bust of late Mr. Bernhard Baron, Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital, 3.

Prince George attends luncheon of Children's Country Holiday Fund, Hall of Grocer's Company, 1.15.

Mr. L. S. Amery, M.P., attends dinner of British Social Hygiene Council, Sir Basil Blackett presiding, Café Royal, 8.

Burlington School: Distribution of Prizes by Countess of Iveagh, M.P., Holy Trinity Church Hall, Great Portland Street, 4.15.

**WEDNESDAY.**

Duke of Connaught lays Foundation Stone of Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, Rickmansworth Park, Herts.

Central Asian Society: Sir Reginald Craddock on "Indian Reforms and Asia," Royal Society's Hall, Burlington House, 5.

Royal Female Orphanage, Beddington: Sir John Carew-Pole presides at annual distribution of prizes, 3.

St. Dunstan's annual regatta, Putney, and dinner at the Connaught Rooms, 1.30 and 8.

Mr. Churchill at Buckhurst Hill.

Sir A. Steel-Maitland at 1900 Club, 9 p.m.

Conducted Tour to London Air Park, Hanworth, in aid of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, 2.30.

**THURSDAY.**

Prince of Wales visits Bedfordshire Agricultural Show, Ampthill.

Duke of Connaught presides at dinner of Elder Brethren of The Trinity House, at Trinity House.

Lady Patricia Ramsay attends Garden Party at St. James's Palace, in aid of National Council for Maternity and Child Welfare, 3.30 to 6.30.

Mrs. Baldwin opens Jubilee Bazaar at Wimbledon High School.

Sir Samuel Hoare, M.P., at Conservative Fete, Northampton.

**FRIDAY.**

Prince George attends reception of London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 9.

International Irish Motor Grand Prix, Dublin (two days).

**SATURDAY.**

Aerial Garden Party and Pageant, at Hanworth Park, in aid of National Birthday Trust Fund.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, M.P., and Sir Kingsley Wood, M.P., at Conservative Fete, Shrewsbury Park, Shooters Hill, 6.30.

Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, M.P., at Conservative Fete, Hatfield Park, 5.

Lower School of John Lyon: Speech Day in the Harrow School Speech Room, 3.

Coaching Club: Final meet of the season, at the Magazine, Hyde Park, noon.

Fairy Tale Fair at Blunt House, Oxted, in aid of the John Benn Hostel, Stepney.

*The Test Match.*

# ENGLAND'S SERIOUS POSITION

## DANGER OF FOLLOW-ON—HOBBS' STRANGE DISMISSAL.

## HAMMOND RETURNS TO FORM.

*By C. STEWART CAINE (Editor, Wisden's Cricketer's Almanack).*

LEEDS, Saturday.

England to-day, at Leeds, finished off in capital style Australia's huge innings. They failed, however, to follow up this fine piece of work with a successful display of batting, and at the drawing of stumps, with half the side out for 212, found themselves 354 in arrear, thus wanting 205 more runs to escape a follow on.

With Hobbs and Sutcliffe both disposed of by the time the score reached 64, there never existed much likelihood of anything like a satisfactory response to the tourists' score of 566. Hammond and Duleepsinhji made a brief stand, and the former, in company with Leyland, withstood Australia's attack for an hour and a half.

But the fall of two wickets in the last twenty minutes destroyed all hope of a big score. The one real matter for congratulation was the success of Hammond, who, apart from a chance at the wicket after completing 50, played delightful cricket, showing, indeed, far finer cricket than in either of the two preceding Test matches.

Although occasionally cloudy, the weather in the morning and towards the close was delightful, and a company of 33,000 people assembled. The takings amounted to £3,391, and the number paying for admission was 23,575.

To the large majority of the many thousands present at the start of the day's play, a matter of even keener interest than the actual course of the match was the question whether Bradman would add materially to his score of 309, or whether the English bowlers would meet with a measure of success denied them yesterday. A pleasurable surprise proved to be in store for the spectators, play taking so marked a turn in favour of England that in an hour and forty minutes Australia's innings, in which 458 runs had been scored overnight and only three batsmen dismissed, was finished off for

**AUSTRALIA.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| W. M. Woodfull, b Hammond | 50 |
| A. Jackson, c Larwood, b Tate | 1 |
| D. Bradman, c Duckworth, b Tate | 334 |
| A. F. Kippax, c Chapman, b Tate | 77 |
| S. McCabe, b Larwood | 30 |
| V. Y. Richardson, c Larwood, b Tate | 1 |
| E. a'Beckett, c Chapman, b Geary | 29 |
| W. A. Oldfield, c Hobbs, b Tate | 2 |
| C. V. Grimmett, c Duckworth, b Tyldesley (R.) | 24 |
| T. Wall, b Tyldesley (R.) | 3 |
| P. M. Hornibrook, not out | 1 |
| Extras | 14 |
| Total | 566 |

**ENGLAND.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Hobbs, c a'Beckett, b Grimmett | 29 |
| Sutcliffe, c Hornibrook, b Grimmett | 32 |
| Hammond, not out | 61 |
| K. S. Duleepsinhji, b Hornibrook | 35 |
| Leyland, c Kippax, b Wall | 44 |
| Geary, run out | 0 |
| Duckworth, not out | 0 |
| Extras | 11 |
| Total (5 wkts.) | 212 |

A. P. F. Chapman, Tate, Larwood, and Tyldesley (R.) to bat.

**FALL OF WICKETS.**

**AUSTRALIA.—First Innings.**

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 194 | 423 | 486 | 491 | 508 | 519 | 544 | 565 | 566 |

**ENGLAND.—First Innings.**

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 53 | 64 | 123 | 206 | 206 |

**BOWLING ANALYSIS.**

**AUSTRALIA.—First Innings.**

| | O. | M. | R. | W. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Larwood | 33 | 3 | 139 | 1 |
| Tate | 39 | 9 | 124 | 5 |
| Geary | 35 | 10 | 95 | 1 |
| Tyldesley (R.) | 33 | 5 | 104 | 2 |
| Hammond | 17 | 3 | 46 | 1 |
| Leyland | 11 | 0 | 44 | 0 |

a total of 566, the seven wickets remaining going down for the addition of no more than 108 runs. This was mainly the work of Tate, who, bowling with fine spirit for seventy minutes, disposed of three batsmen during that time for 23 runs. Altogether the tourists' innings extended over 7¼ hours, and of the huge total Bradman was responsible for nearly 60 per cent.

The first hundred occupied 80 minutes, the second 95 minutes, and the third 75 minutes, while the fourth and fifth were obtained in 65 minutes.

Bradman, as it happened, was not destined to achieve much to-day. He played quite well for forty minutes, putting on 25 runs meanwhile, and then, in an endeavour to hit a ball round to leg, gave a difficult catch at the wicket. Sixth man out at 508, he had given a marvellous display of batting which, although lasting six and a-quarter hours, was marred only by two really bad strokes, and, moreover, the first of these did not occur until he had passed the 200 mark. Bradman employed the drive and square cut as well as on and off the late cut, the hook, and the leg glance with equal ease and certainty. His defence was impregnable, and his footwork being always delightful, he had plenty of time for any stroke, and scarcely lifted the ball at all. In fact he showed himself a master craftsman. It may be added that he registered his first 50 runs in 50 min., his second in 50, his third in 70, his fourth in 40, his fifth in 60, and his sixth in 60.

In the course of the afternoon a telegram was received from Mr Arthur Whitelaw, an Australian, stating that he wished Bradman to accept the sum of £1,000 as a token of admiration of his wonderful performance.

### The Play.

So great was the desire to witness the continuation of Bradman's wonderful innings that by ten o'clock fully 10,000 people had taken their seats, and an hour later, when Chapman led his men into the field, the company present amounted to quite 25,000.

Quickly McCabe and Bradman set to work to increase still further Australia's huge total of 458 for three wickets. McCabe, showing particular enterprise, registered against Larwood and Tate eighteen out of twenty-eight runs added in little more than a quarter of an hour, and then played a ball from Larwood on to the stumps. Fourth man out with the score at 486, McCabe, batting in most refreshing style this morning, had six fours in an innings of 30. His partnership with Bradman lasted rather less than forty minutes, but produced 63 runs. The cheers which greeted the dismissal of McCabe were renewed when, in the following over, Richardson placed a ball from Tate into the hands of Larwood at short leg in much the same way as Jackson had done twenty-four hours earlier

Joined by A'Beckett, Bradman sent up 500 on the board with a fine straight drive the innings at that point having been in progress for six hours and twenty minutes.

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The famous young batsman seemed thoroughly well set for a lot more runs when, trying to hit a ball from Tate round to leg, he mistimed it and gave a catch at the wicket, in this way attempting a stroke which he had previously executed successfully heaps of times. Bradman thus brought his memorable innings to a close. There was, of course, a tremendous roar when the spectators realised that Bradman was really out, and as the batsman made his way back to the pavilion amid continuous applause, practically the whole company stood up in recognition of a marvellous performance.

Sixth out at 508, after batting for about six and a-quarter hours, Bradman had made 334 out of 506 by masterly cricket. Not until his score reached 202 did he give anything like a chance, but then a fieldsman quicker on his feet than Tate might have caught him at mid-on off Tyldesley, and when 273 he was missed at the wicket off Geary. These, however, were strangely few blemishes in an innings of such length and magnitude. Hitting all round the wicket in finished and easy fashion, he put his tremendous score together by forty-six 4's, six 3's, twenty-six 2's, and eighty singles.

### Tyldesley Finishes It Off.

Having at last disposed of the man who had flouted their efforts for so long, the Englishmen, except for some faulty fielding by Tyldesley, played up with plenty of dash. A clever running catch at cover-point, beautifully judged by Hobbs, got Oldfield at 519, and then, with a'Beckett and Grimmett together, Tate, who, bowling for seventy minutes, had this morning sent down twelve overs for 27 runs and three wickets, gave way to Tyldesley. Twenty-five runs were added before a'Beckett put a ball to Chapman at extra cover. With Wall in, Grimmett lifted two balls over the ring for 6's, a woman spectator being struck by the first hit; but the end was at hand, Wall being bowled and Grimmett taken at the wicket in one over from Tyldesley, Australia, after an innings lasting seven and a-half hours, being all out for 566.

To-day seven wickets fell in 100 minutes for 108 runs. The bowling figures, apart from those of Tate, of course, came out badly, but that untiring worker sent down thirty-nine overs for 124 runs and disposed of five batsmen.

Wanting 417 to avoid a follow-on, England had twenty-five minutes' batting before lunch, and scored 17 runs. Hobbs and Sutcliffe shaped quite well, except that, when Grimmett went on for an over, Hobbs played his first ball dangerously near the left hand of a'Beckett, fielding close in at short mid-on. For nearly an hour on resuming the famous pair remained together, making a notable hit on occasion, but for the most part contenting themselves with skilfully placed singles, and, to the joy of the crowd, safely accomplishing some very daring runs.

### Troublesome Grimmett.

If the two batsmen shaped well enough, each was at times in some trouble with Grimmett, and the fact that, as the ball pitched, a slight amount of dust sometimes arose caused some disquietude, still, all promised well when 50 went up with the opening pair still together. Three runs later, however, Hobbs was out, and in distinctly unsatisfactory fashion. He played to the on a ball from Grimmett. A'Beckett, fielding close in, dashed forward and just reached it. In making the effort, however, a'Beckett not only threw himself prone, but turned head over heels, with the ball underneath him.

Whether the ball touched the ground, Oates, the bowler's umpire, could not see. So an appeal was made to Bestwick, who gave Hobbs out. Thus ended a promising partnership, which had been in progress for eighty minutes. Another disaster soon befel England, and again Grimmett was instrumental in effecting the separation. That clever bowler, who to-day brought the googly into play once or twice, got in a tremendous leg break, and Sutcliffe, following the ball, placed it gently into the hands of slip. In this way, by half-past three, England, with two crack batsmen out for 64, found themselves, in view of Australia's huge total, in a truly parlous state.

Hammond and Duleepsinhji, however, came practically to the rescue, not only playing fine cricket, but sending up the hundred, and a little later having the satisfaction of seeing Grimmett, after bowling admirably for an hour and fifty minutes, give way to Hornibrook. A bright stand of forty minutes had produced 59 runs, when a break-back of beautiful length from the left-hander proved too much for Duleepsinhji's defence.

In this way England had three wickets down for 123, and little more was done before the players retired for tea, the score, as the result of nearly 2½ hours' batting, being 136 at the adjournment, with seven wickets to fall and 281 more runs needed to avert the follow-on.

Hammond and Leyland, on resuming after tea, made a truly gallant endeavour to improve England's prospects. It was an anxious time and they naturally exercised considerable restraint, but Hammond always shaped admirably, and Leyland, if not quite at his ease at first, gradually settled down to a sound and confident game. Keeping himself well in hand Hammond brought off some delightful strokes at intervals, and Leyland roused the huge crowd by lifting Grimmett twice over the ring for 6. On the second occasion the ball was well caught by a spectator.

### Hammond's Escape.

As the result of nearly two hours' excellent batting Hammond reached 50, and 200 was on the board at six o'clock, the innings having been in progress for three hours and three-quarters. The new ball was called for, Wall resumed, and in his first over a great piece of luck befell England. Hammond, with his own score 52, and England's total 203, was missed by Oldfield standing back However, the fine partnership came to an end in the fast bowler's second over, Leyland, in trying to get the ball away to leg, giving an easy catch to third man. He and Hammond had done fine service, putting on 83 in an hour and a half. Unhappily for England, Geary, immediately afterwards, was run out. Wall returning the ball, and by a quarter-past six half the side had been sent back for 206.

### BRADMAN'S TEST AVERAGE.

D. Bradman, besides establishing a new record by scoring 334 at Leeds, can show a remarkably consistent set of figures for Test Match cricket. Against A. P. F. Chapman's team in Australia during the winter before last, he scored 468 runs, and this season he has made 728, giving him an aggregate of 1,196 for thirteen innings, with one not out. These figures yield an average of 99.66

At Melbourne, in March, 1929, when Australia stopped the run of England victories by winning the last Test Match by five wickets, Bradman scored 123 in the first innings, and so in four consecutive Test engagements he has played an innings of three figures.

Another point of exceptional interest with regard to Bradman is that his aggregate runs this season now number 2,025. He is the first man to reach 2,000 runs.

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In the regular weekly baseball game at Stamford Bridge Grounds on Sunday the London Japanese will meet the London Americans in the third of a series of matches. This will be a rubber contest, as each team has won a game, and by a narrow margin.

# KENT LUCKY.

## RALLY DUE TO SURREY BLUNDER.

## WOOLLEY'S THANKS.

The ups and downs and "what might have beens" of cricket were very much in evidence in the Kent and Surrey game at Blackheath. Batting first on a fast pitch, Kent's first wicket fell before a run was scored, and three men were out for 14. When they appeared to be in a thoroughly bad way Frank Woolley, missed by Squires at mid-on when 22, knocked up a century before lunch. Kent had been helped to their feet by a dropped catch.

Surrey are without P. G. H. Fender and Hobbs. A. M. Crawley, the Oxford Blue, and Watt are figuring in the Kent side for Peach and Bull.

Gover, bowling with a strong wind behind him, was mainly responsible for Kent's early disasters. It was Hardinge who went while the score board was still devoid of runs, and it was Gover who had him taken at short square leg. Todd went to the crease in aggressive mood, hit Allom for two four's, scored a single, and had his off stump knocked back by Gover. Crawley, who failed to score, was a victim of the Surrey Peach. He played too soon at a ball, and an easy catch for mid-on to hold was the sequel.

With three men out for 14 runs, Kent were getting the "downs" of cricket in substantial doses. That dropped catch by Squires, which gave Woolley a second "life," was sheer good luck for the men of the hop county. It set Surrey sighing over what might have been, —always a futile occupation.

Woolley thoroughly enjoyed his second "life," and as he found in Ames a partner after his own heart, Fortune's wheel revolved quickly, and the pair put on 190 invaluable runs in one hundred minutes for the fourth wicket. Three wickets for 14; four for 204. It was a dramatic recovery, helped by luck.

Woolley gave an exhibition of superb cutting and driving. Ames obtained many of his runs by skilfully placed off-side strokes. Woolley reached his 50 in an hour—and so did Ames. Gover did Surrey a real service when he sent Ames back with 84 more than just useful runs standing against his name.

Woolley, who had hit two 6's and fourteen 4's in his innings of 110, was caught at extra cover point. He mis-hit a ball from Peach, and this mistake cost him his wicket.

With the loss of Woolley, Fortune's wheel took another turn, and Kent lost four wickets in twenty-five minutes for 22 runs.

Kent might still have been out for a comparatively small score if Allom, at mid-off, had accepted a chance offered by Ashdown, but, as it happened, the two outstanding Kent wickets put on 91 runs, and the innings, lasting three hours twenty minutes, closed for 317. Ashdown, who was undefeated, occupied eighty minutes over his 59.

Surrey made a disastrous start, losing half their wickets for 34 runs. Barling and Shepherd were bowled by balls they made no attempt to play. Shepherd, Wilson, and Gregory were dismissed by Freeman without a run being added to the Surrey score.

After tea Sandham and Squires faced good bowling with considerably more confidence and, without indulging in anything like risky strokes, they scored at a nice, even pace.

**KENT.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Hardinge, c Wilson, b Gover | 0 |
| Todd, b Gover | 8 |
| Woolley, c Allom b Peach | 110 |
| A. M. Crawley, c Gregory, b Peach | 0 |
| Ames, c and b Gover | 84 |
| Ashdown, not out | 59 |
| G. B. Legge, b Allom | 3 |
| J. Foster, b Allom | 0 |
| Freeman, b Peach | 10 |
| Watt, by Gover | 27 |
| Deslee, c Ducat, b Shepherd | 10 |
| Extras | 6 |
| Total | 317 |

**SURREY.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Sandham, not out | 84 |
| Barling, b Beslee | 2 |
| Ducat, b Beslee | 10 |
| Shepherd, b Freeman | 0 |
| Wilson, b Freeman | 0 |
| Gregory, lbw, b Freeman | 0 |
| Squires, not out | 54 |
| Extras | 4 |
| Total (5 wkts.) | 154 |

Peach, M. J. C. Allom, Brooks, and Gover to bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

KENT.—First Innings: Gover 4 for 89, Allom 2 for 85, Peach 3 for 58, Gregory 0 for 53, Shepherd 1 for 26.

# DACRE'S BIG SCORE.

## MOORE ALSO HITS WORCESTER ATTACK.

Worcestershire, who scored so heavily against Northamptonshire in the middle of the week, were at home to Gloucestershire yesterday.

Quite the feature of the afternoon's cricket was the batting of Dacre. After surviving an appeal for a catch at the wicket off the first ball sent down after lunch, he scored much faster than his partner. The New Zealander made some delightful on-drives and never appeared in trouble with any of the bowlers. He completed 50 in an hour and reached his second hundred of the season in as many minutes. Once he hit Perks for 6, the ball going over the ropes and rolling underneath the stand. In marked contrast, Moore took nearly two hours to reach 50, and when 63 was fortunate in being missed at the wicket.

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Dipper, c Perks, b Root | 0 |
| Sinfield, b Perks | 9 |
| B. H. Lyon, lbw, b Brook | 48 |
| D. N. Moore, c Coventry, b Fox (J.) | 80 |
| Dacre, c Nichols, b Wright | 223 |
| Neale, b Fox (J.) | 25 |
| Smith, c Root, b Fox (J.) | 4 |
| Barnett, c Nichols, b Perks | 31 |
| Stephens, not out | 38 |
| Parker, c Perks, b Fox (J.) | 0 |
| Goddard, c Fox (V.), b Wright | 3 |
| Extras | 28 |
| Total | 489 |

**WORCESTERSHIRE.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Wright, not out | 3 |
| Fox (J.), not out | 1 |
| Extras | 2 |
| Total (0 wkt.) | 6 |

Hon. J. Coventry, C. F. Walters, B. W. Quaife, Root, Fox (V.), Nichol, Brook, Gibbons, and Perks to bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—First Innings: Root 1 for 108, Perks 2 for 85, Brooke 1 for 130, Wright 2 for 61, Fox (J.) 4 for 77.

# TYLDESLEY GETS DOUBLE CENTURY.

## BRISK STAND WITH IDDON.

Thanks to sound batting by the consistent Watson and fine innings by Ernest Tyldesley and Iddon, Lancashire built up a strong position at Old Trafford in their return match with Warwickshire.

Tyldesley reached his fourth hundred of the season in three hours and a-quarter without giving anything like a chance. Very slow when nearing three figures, he occupied thirty-five minutes over his last six runs. Just before tea, taken with the total 237 for two, Iddon completed 50 in eighty-five minutes. In the two hours following lunch, 138 runs had been added.

In all, the third-wicket partnership yielded 223 in two hours and a-half—easily the highest stand for Lancashire this season. Iddon's 101 was his third century of the season, and it included eleven 4's.

Hopwood helped Tyldesley to add 77 in forty minutes, and at the drawing of stumps Lancashire's total stood at 441 for four wickets. Tyldesley had 228 to his credit, and was still undefeated, having been at the crease for five hours and a-half. To-morrow he will resume, needing 17 more runs to beat the highest innings of his career—244 against Warwickshire at Birmingham in 1920.

**LANCASHIRE.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Watson, c Paine, b Santall | 73 |
| Paynter, c Sanders, b Mayer | 11 |
| Tyldesley (E.), not out | 228 |
| Iddon, c Kilner, b Croom | 101 |
| Hopwood, lbw b Mayer | 21 |
| Taylor, not out | 0 |
| Extras | 7 |
| Total (4 wkts) | 441 |

P. T. Eckersley, Sibbles, Farrimond, Booth, and Macdonald to bat.

WARWICKSHIRE.—R. E. S. Wyatt, J. Morton, G. D. Kemp-Welch, Croom, Bates, Kilner, Smart, Santall, Sanders, Paine, and Mayer.

# STEADY SUSSEX.

## BIG FOURTH-WICKET PARTNERSHIP.

## COOK AND LANGRIDGE.

At Brighton yesterday Sussex secured the advantage of batting first on a good wicket, but they made an indifferent start against Hampshire's bowlers and lost three wickets for only 65. Matters improved after this set-back, and by lunch time the total had been advanced to 131 without further loss, thanks to a stand by Cook and Langridge (J.)

Bowley and Parks (J.), the opening batsmen, scored at a good pace and had made 36 before Parks fell to a catch at forward short leg. With Cook in, the 50 appeared after forty minutes' play, but with eight runs added Bowley played on. Parks (H.), who scored two splendid hundreds last week, was not destined to stay long, and was third out with the total 65. It was at this period that Langridge joined Cook, and the pair, batting very confidently, stayed until lunch-time, when the score stood at 131, Cook having reached 56 and his partner 31. Sussex, it may be mentioned, are without Cornford and Wensley, both suffering from injuries.

James Langridge reached his 50 in an hour and forty minutes, and he and Cook played delightful cricket during their fourth wicket stand, which lasted just under two and a-half hours and realised 166. Langridge left at 231, his 85, which included ten 4's, being characterised by skilful strokes to leg.

Cook completed an admirable 100 out of 182 in two and three-quarter hours, and, despite frequent bowling changes, he was always at his ease. He brought off some fine drives and cuts after completing his 100, but Gilligan did not take advantage of the strong position Sussex were in. In a half-hour prior to tea he scored only 9 runs, and when the interval was taken the total stood at 278 for four wickets.

Cook and Gilligan added 142 for the fifth wicket before the captain, whose 44 occupied and hour and forty minutes, was dismissed.

Cook completed 200 after batting four and three-quarter hours, and when stumps were drawn, with Sussex 440 for five wickets, he remained undefeated for 241.

**SUSSEX.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bowley, b Kennedy | 20 |
| Parks (J.) c Kennedy b Newman | 18 |
| Cook, not out | 241 |
| Parks (H.), b Newman | 2 |
| Langridge (Jas.), lbw, b Baring | 85 |
| A. H. Gilligan b Baring | 44 |
| L. Williams, not out | 16 |
| Extras | 14 |
| Total (5 wkts) | 440 |

Ft.-Lieut. A. J. Holmes, Hammond, Eaton, and Pearce to bat.

HAMPSHIRE.—Lord Tennyson, Capt. T. O. Jameson, W. G. Lowndes, A. E. G. Baring, Brown, Arnold, Mead, Newman, Creese, Kennedy, and Pothecary.

# LEICESTER SLOW.

## ASTILL AND SHIPMAN THE EXCEPTIONS.

First forty crowded minutes in which 50 runs were scored; then a dull, drab eighty minutes producing only 43 runs. That was how Leicestershire started their innings against Somerset at Taunton. The fact that the Somerset bowling was good, and the fielding keen, and that Berry was out with the score-board showing 40, was hardly a good and sufficient excuse for the ultra caution shown by E. W. Dawson—who took an hour and ten minutes to scrape together his 31 runs—Bradshaw, and Armstrong.

**LEICESTERSHIRE.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| E. W. Dawson, c Marshall, b Young | 31 |
| Berry, b White | 21 |
| Bradshaw, b Wellard | 19 |
| Armstrong, c Lee (F.), b Young | 34 |
| J. A. de Lisle, b White | 17 |
| Coleman, b White | 0 |
| Astill, c White b Young | 56 |
| Shipman, not out | 58 |
| Sidwell, st Marshall, b Lee (J.) | 12 |
| Snary, b White | 5 |
| Smith, c and b White | 4 |
| Extras | 8 |
| Total | 259 |

**SOMERSET.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| E. F. Longrigg, not out | 23 |
| R. P. Northway, b Snary | 0 |
| R. A. Ingle, not out | 6 |
| Extras | 1 |
| Total (1 wkt.) | 30 |

C. C. Case, Young, Lee (F. S.), J. C. White, Lee (J. W.), A. G. Marshall, Wellard, and Andrews to bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

LEICESTERSHIRE.—First Innings: Wellard 1 for 48, Lee (J.) 1 for 45, White 5 for 61, Young 3 for 79, Andrews 0 for 18.

# UNEVEN ESSEX.

## DAER, TENTH MAN, BUT TOP-SCORER.

If their "tail" had not wagged Essex would have had a bad day against Middlesex. I. A. R. Peebles, the Oxford University bowler, was making his first appearance of the season for Middlesex, and he celebrated the fact with some very dangerous bowling. His "googlies" worried many of the Essex batsmen—he dismissed O'Connor and Russell with successive deliveries—and thourh Hipkin hit him hard late in the innings, his seven wickets cost him only 77 runs.

Essex, who scored 263 runs, gave an uneven batting display. They owed much to a ninth-wicket stand by Hipkin and A. G. Daer. Daer, number 10 on the batting list, was top scorer with 54 runs, and was undefeated at the close of the Essex innings

Cutmore and Pope put on 57 in an hour for the first wicket. Pope was his usual cautious self, but Cutmore scored freely off Haig and Durston. It was the splendid running catch by Carris which dismissed Cutmore, and then disasters began happening to Essex.

It was at this point that Peebles dismissed O'Connor and Russell with successive "googlies." When he followed up by dismissing Nichols, Peebles had taken three wickets for 15 runs.

Sheffield followed the example of Pope. He defended stubbornly for half an hour, but then he touched a leg break from Peebles and Price brought off a catch at the wicket. So half the Essex side were out for 91.

Bray and Pope prevented a total breakdown by putting on a valuable 43 for the sixth wicket. Again smart fielding by Carris, who picked up cleanly a late cut at third man, upset a stand when Pope had started for a short run. By keeping a rigid defence Pope had withstood the bowling for two and a-half hours. Bray stayed sixty-five minutes, making several good strokes to the off.

Hipkin and Daer put on 48 in thirty-five minutes for the ninth wicket. Hipkin's plucky innings contained seven 4's. Daer and Smith hit so freely that they added 47 in twenty minutes for the last wicket. In making the top score for his side, which included eight 4's, Daer gave one difficult return to Haig when 40

Having retrieved their position, Essex bowled and fielded so keenly that they got the first two Middlesex wickets down for 20 runs. Nichols maintained a very fast pace for half an hour, getting Canning taken at the wicket and Lee leg-before.

Hearne and Carris pursued a policy of rigid defence, runs coming very slowly.

In forty-five minutes Carris helped to put on 38, and in the last twenty-five minutes Haig played out time with Hearne, who had defended carefully for an hour and a-half. With the total 101, Middlesex finished an excellent day's cricket 162 behind with seven wickets to fall. Full score:

**ESSEX.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cutmore, c Carris b Hulme | 38 |
| Pope, run out | 38 |
| O'Connor, lbw, b Peebles | 0 |
| Russell, b Peebles | 0 |
| Nichols, lbw b Peebles | 9 |
| Sheffield, c Price b Peebles | 9 |
| C. Bray, c Hearne b Peebles | 29 |
| H. M. Morris, b Peebles | 10 |
| Hipkin, b Durston | 36 |
| A. G. Daer, not out | 54 |
| Smith (P.), c Lee b Peebles | 21 |
| Extras | 19 |
| Total | 263 |

**MIDDLESEX.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Lee, lbw b Nichols | 12 |
| Canning, c Sheffield, b Nichols | 1 |
| Hearne, not out | 45 |
| H. E. Carris, c Sheffield, b Nichols | 15 |
| N. Haig, not out | 24 |
| Extras | 4 |
| Total (3 wkts.) | 101 |

J. L. Guise, Hart, Hulme, I. A. R. Peebles, Durston, and Price to bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

ESSEX.—First innings: Haig, 0 for 43; Durston, 1 for 58; Peebles, 7 for 77; Hulme, 1 for 61; Lee, 0 for 5.

# DERBY CAUTIOUS.

## TOWNSEND'S HALF-HOUR.

## CHAMPIONS BOWL WELL

Derbyshire had only 2 runs on the board when they lost Lee at Nottingham, but a second-wicket stand by Storer and Smith produced 108 and took the gilt off the home county's early success.

As Larwood is playing for England at Leeds and Sam Staples is nursing an injury, Derbyshire are meeting a Notts side minus two of its most prominent attacking forces.

It was Voce who brought the home county's early success. He completely beat Lee, and the batsman's middle stump was uprooted. Storer and Smith proved sterner stuff. Though neither batsmen took the slightest risk, they did not neglect to punish the loose balls. A. W. Carr had rung several bowling changes in vain before he called up the younger Gunn, and the son of George responded by breaking the partnership. Storer, whose sound 59 included six 4's, was his victim. Another success quickly followed, A. Staples bowling Gilbert before a run had been added.

Townsend was caution personified. It took him half an hour to scrape his first half-dozen runs together. Though he grew a little more adventurous with the passing of time, he was fifty minutes getting his 25 runs together.

Worthington did little, and half the Derbyshire side were out for 175, while five runs later Smith's fine innings came to an end. Alderman called him for a single, and in this way the left-

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| Staples (A.) (Notts) v. Derby | 5 for 75 |
| A. G. Pelham (Eton) v. Harrow | 4 for 23 |
| R. Page (Eton) v. Harrow | 4 for 28 |

hander, who had shown wonderful defence for nearly three hours and a-half, lost his wicket. He obtained 83 out of 178, and hit eight 4's.

Jackson immediately began to hit, but, after driving Gunn to the ring, he put up an easy catch to cover-point, where Bland failed to hold the ball.

Jackson soon left after the interval, but Alderman and Slater offered stubborn resistance, and the innings did not close until 286 runs were on the board. Derbyshire batted in all for five hours and twenty minutes A. Staples was the most successful of the Notts bowlers with five wickets for 75 runs.

Notts, batting for a quarter of an hour, scored 6 without loss, and so left off 280 runs in arrear.

**DERBYSHIRE.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Storer, c Lilley, b Gunn (G. V.) | 59 |
| Lee, b Voce | 0 |
| Smith, run out | 83 |
| J. D. H. Gilbert, b Staples (A.) | 0 |
| Townsend, c Carr, b Voce | 25 |
| Worthington, c Lilley, b Staples (A.) | 6 |
| Alderman, b Staples (A.) | 20 |
| G. R. Jackson, c Lilley, b Voce | 14 |
| Slater, lbw, b Staples (A.) | 36 |
| Elliott, c Walker, b Staples (A.) | 23 |
| Mitchell, not out | 8 |
| Extras | 12 |
| Total | 286 |

**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Gunn (G.), not out | 4 |
| Whysall, not out | 1 |
| Extras | 1 |
| Total (0 wkt.) | 6 |

Walker, A. W. Carr, Payton, Lilley, Staples (A.), Gunn (G. V.), Barratt, Voce, and R. D. P. Bland to bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

DERBYSHIRE.—First Innings: Barratt 0 for 47, Voce 3 for 50, Staples (A.) 5 for 75, Bland 0 for 29, Gunn (G. V.) 1 for 73.

# GLAMORGAN RECOVERY.

## TAIL WAGS WELL AGAINST YORKSHIRE.

Following their splendid victory over Somerset at Bath, Yorkshire yesterday appeared at Swansea in opposition to Glamorgan. The match, which was set apart for the benefit of Bates, an old Yorkshire player who did duty for that county as far back as 1907, proved a great attraction, and the weather being fine a large crowd assembled.

Glamorgan, able to place about their strongest side in the field, seeing that they were assisted by two former captains in Clay and Riches, made a bad start, both Riches and Turnbull being dismissed with only 37 runs on the board, but Bates, warmly welcomed by a big crowd, made a determined stand. At 52 Bell—also a Yorkshireman by birth—was third out, while Hills, having helped to add 26 for the fourth wicket, was bowled by a ball he never attempted to play.

Meanwhile, Bates, though cautious, as the situation demanded, seldom seemed in trouble with the bowling, but, having batted for something over two hours, he edged a ball from Verity and was caught low down at slip. Bates hit with power whenever occasion offered and got the ball to the boundary six times.

It took Mercer no more than forty minutes to reach his 50, which contained ten 4's, but, after hitting another boundary, he was caught at mid-off for an exhilarating 55. In forty-five minutes 84 runs were added for the eighth partnership. Clay was batting fifty minutes.

Yorkshire, batting for ninety minutes, made 81 for three wickets. After the opening stand had been broken at 37, two further wickets fell for an addition of three runs.

**GLAMORGAN.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bates, c Dennis, b Verity | 51 |
| N. V. Riches, c Dennis, b Robinson | 5 |
| M. J. Turnbull, c and b Robinson | 7 |
| Bell, b Macaulay | 12 |
| Hills, b Macaulay | 12 |
| Davies (D.), b Robinson | 23 |
| Dyson, b Verity | 18 |
| J. C. Clay, b Verity | 47 |
| Mercer, c Greenwood, b Dennis | 55 |
| Every, not out | 8 |
| Ryan, c Barber, b Macaulay | 8 |
| Extras | 16 |
| Total | 262 |

**YORKSHIRE.—First Innings.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Holmes, c and b Clay | 24 |
| Oldroyd, b Ryan | 15 |
| Mitchell, not out | 20 |
| A. T. Barber, b Ryan | 1 |
| F. E. Greenwood, not out | 16 |
| Extras | 5 |
| Total (3 wkts) | 81 |

Robinson, Dennis, Wood, Macaulay, Bowes, and Verity to bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

GLAMORGAN.—First Innings: Robinson 3 for 54, Bowes 0 for 61, Macaulay 3 for 60, Dennis 1 for 14, Verity 3 for 57.

### TEST MATCH DATES FOR SOUTH AFRICAN TOUR.

CAPE TOWN, Saturday.

The South African Cricket Association to-day issued the itinerary for the M.C.C. tour in South Africa this coming winter The five Test matches will be four-day matches, and in the event of neither side having the advantage by the last Test, this match is to be played to a finish. The dates and venues for the Test matches were announced as follows:—December 24, 26, 27, 29, Johannesburg; January 1, 2, 3, 5, Cape Town; January 16, 17, 19, 20, Durban; February 13, 14, 16, 17, Johannesburg; February, 21, 23, 24, 25, Durban.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

### MINOR COUNTIES' COMPETITION.

Buckinghamshire beat Bedfordshire at Bletchley by an innings and 77 runs.

Bedfordshire 102 (A. R. Alston 26, Edwards five wickets for 23) and 96.

Buckinghamshire 275 (W. B. Franklin 85, A. G. Skinner 44, A. W. S. James 54).

### CLOSE FINISH AT HIGHGATE.

Highgate School beat Old Millhillians by 3 runs after a thrilling finish. The School batted first and scored 160. Pennister (46) and Hayles (36) were the chief contributors. Old Millhillians were 154 for eight, but the last two wickets fell for an additional three runs. Powell scored 68 for the Old Millhillians. He also took three wickets for 36. Westerby, the School captain obtained three wickets for 22.

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KING'S CUP AIR RACE won for the 6th time on CASTROL. 1st: Miss W. S. Brown (also the Siddeley Trophy). 2nd: Mr. A. S. Butler. 3rd: Flight-Lieut. Waghorn. All chose Wakefield CASTROL Motor Oil, the famous product of an ALL-BRITISH firm C. C. Wakefield and Co., Ltd., Wakefield House, Cheapside, London, E.C.2. [ADVT.]

# ETON BEAT HARROW BY EIGHT WICKETS.

## ATKINSON-CLARK'S FINE CENTURY.

## PELHAM AND PAGE BOWL WELL.

*By OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.*

In beating Harrow at Lord's yesterday by eight wickets, Eton registered their forty-first victory over their great rivals.

It was only the second time a conclusive result had been reached since 1921—and Harrow have not gained a win for twenty-two years! To date, Harrow have won six fewer games than Eton, while twenty-five have been drawn.

Harrow could not complain of their luck in the game which finished yesterday at about tea time. They won the toss and had the first use of a fine, fast pitch. But their batting was patchy. In compiling 199 only W. M. Welch and J. M. Stow could do much with the Eton bowling. There was not even this solidarity in the second innings, which produced but 130 with the wicket still playing well, and to the general breakdown of the batting must be attributed defeat.

Eton had the best batsman in J. C. Atkinson-Clark, whose 135 was largely instrumental in establishing a first innings' lead for his side of 85; and Harrow had no bowler so good as A. G. Pelham, whose medium-paced right-handers yielded him a match record of 11 wickets for 44 runs—an excellent piece of work comparable with the destroyers of batsmen in the long series of these famous encounters.

The turning point in yesterday's cricket proved to be the masterly batting which J. C. Atkinson-Clark showed in the morning. A year ago Atkinson-Clark figured in a great stand which enabled Eton to establish supremacy in a drawn game, and as soon as play began yesterday, when he was not out 58, he hit the

*Athletics.*

# PRINCETON AND CORNELL WIN

## A 7—5 VICTORY—GORDON'S FINE JUMP.

## TISDALL TWICE DEFEATED.

*By H. M. ABRAHAMS.*

After an afternoon of fluctuating fortunes Princeton and Cornell defeated Oxford and Cambridge by seven events to five at Stamford Bridge yesterday. A number of "if onlys" will leap to many people's minds, and a slight turn of Fortune's wheel would easily have reversed the verdict. But if we put aside the natural propensity to explain things, and the very natural disappointment (for I certainly thought our 'Varsities would win) we are bound to admit that the better all-round team won, and thoroughly deserved their victory.

The attendance was extremely disappointing—a meagre 8,000 or so spectators and some five or six thousand less than the crowd of four years ago. A possible explanation was the absence of names with which to conjure, for somehow Tisdall is not the household word with the British crowd that Lord Burghley was, for he has hardly competed in open competition at all, and is comparatively unknown to the man in the street. That the sport provided deserved far more appreciation (in the shape of numbers) than it got, is more than proved by the statement that four new "best on record" performances were achieved, and in a fifth event Lord Burghley's 24 7-10 sec. for the 220 yards low hurdles was equalled.

I had predicted a victory for Oxford and Cambridge by seven events to five, and this calculation was based on the assumption that Tisdall would secure a triple victory in the hurdles and 440 yards, and that the Americans would win the long jump. In fact Tisdall was second in both his races, and did not (or rather could not) compete in the quarter-mile; while Revans literally rose to the occasion and won the long jump.

The track was in excellent condition, though the weather was far from ideal, and nothing like so conducive to fast times as a week ago at the A.A.A. Championships. The American Ambassador and Mr. Arthur Henderson, M.P., were present in the stands when the meeting began soon after three.

**Sprint Win for the Americans.**

Proceedings opened with the 100 yards, run into a fairly strong wind. After one false start Andrews was very quickly into his running, and led for perhaps twenty yards. The two Americans, Hand and Meinig, were soon on level terms, and at fifty yards were quite clear of Andrews and Rinkel. These two never looked like being in the picture at all, and it was left to Meinig, with that typical upright American sprint action, to break the tape just ahead of his fellow American in 10 3-10 sec.

The hurdles followed, and was the first key event. If Tisdall won this (and of the two hurdle races it appeared his more difficult task) all would be well. If not there were breakers ahead All four men were level over the first flight. At the second W. G. Heasley (who finished fourth in the American inter-collegiate event, won in 14 4-5 sec., last May) showed slightly in front. For the rest of the race he stayed there, and Tisdall was fighting hard in a desperate attempt to reduce a lead which the American, hurdling with beautiful polish, refused to relinquish There was no doubt about the result, and the time was a new "meet" record, 1-10 sec. faster than Lord Burghley's 1926 win. America two up. Meantime the weight and high jump were going on at the same time at opposite ends of the ground. In the former the Americans started off with a series of no putts, and indeed our only hope of victory would have been six of these. By the fourth round, however, Levy had got in a modest effort of 47 ft. 8½ in., and that was three up In the high jump Colin Gordon, having failed once at 5 ft. 8 in., was making us a little nervous, but we had no cause for alarm really.

**Another Fast Mile.**

Oxford and Cambridge gained their first victory in the mile. It was a victory which was universally expected. The two Americans took the lead at the start, with Cornes well back. The first quarter was covered in 61 3-5 sec. In the second lap Bryan took a hand and led at half-distance in 2 min. 12 3-5 sec. Thereafter Cornes, following his studied practice, piled on the pace, and at three-quarters of a mile the race was over. Cornes won in 4 min. 20 2-5 sec., with Bryan pluckily finishing second in 4 min. 22 4-5 sec. and the two Americans nowhere. Although Cornes had eased appreciably in the home straight, his time beat the previous best by over two seconds.

Just before the 220 yards the American victory in the weight was announced—Levy having putt 48 ft. 5¾ in.—a new record, followed by his own second string some 4 ft. odd behind, and our two representatives nearly another yard away.

After the 100 a defeat in the 220 was only to be expected. Walkey started inside, then Hand (Princeton, who won this event in 1929), then Andrews with Meinig (the winner of the sprint) in that dreadful outside lane. Walkey was seen to be going up on Hand from the start, and was ahead of him in the straight. Where I was sitting I could not see the outside lane, and thought Walkey was going to provide us with our first unhoped for victory. Meining, however, came off the banking in a very fast finish, and completed the only double of the afternoon. Time, 22 3-10 sec.—not very exciting, but none of the quartet were in the same class as Hank Russell or A. E. Porritt. America leads by four events to one.

Quite a depression had set in by this time, which was mercifully relieved by the announcement that Gordon had won the high jump at 6 ft. He went on ultimately to clear 6 ft 3⅜ in. the best performance of his career and a height not often achieved in this country by native or alien. It was a pity that Ben Hedges (the Princeton captain) was unable to compete, but it is not too much to say that Gordon would have won anyway.

**America Two Up.**

The programme was now half over, and hopes of a British victory were almost gone. Six events to come, and the score four events to two against us. We might win the low hurdles, the half, the two miles, and the 440. America was bound to win the pole vault, and it was odds on an American in the long jump

First we won the half. After one false start Gutteridge led, followed by the two Americans, with Towend last. The first quarter occupied 56 3-5 sec., with Gutteridge leading and Townend at his elbow. Three hundred yards from home these two had lost both their American adversaries, and Townend, with well-timed "shoot," got ahead of Gutteridge, and stayed there. He won in 1 min. 56 4-5 sec., Gutteridge did 1 min 58 sec., and the two Americans well outside two minutes. Four events to three, America still leads.

Now came the "key" event of the afternoon. If Tisdall won, the score would be four events all, if he lost, defeat was as certain as could be. The four hurdlers went over to their marks and then it was discovered that a number of hurdles were conspicuous by their absence. It transpired that the groundsman (who had never laid out a 220 hurdle race before) had only put down five hurdles 40 yards apart instead of ten hurdles 20 yards apart. Bad staff work, indeed, on the part of those responsible. This caused an interminable wait (by the mercy of heaven or the vigilance of the clerk of the course, it was discovered in time), and it may well be that this wait made all the difference between victory and defeat to Tisdall, for Tisdall's mind must have been on the possibilities of having to run also in the quarter-mile, the last event of the day.

Eventually, about half an hour late, the course was accurately measured and the obstacles duly placed in position. Lincoln (who beat Tisdall at Travers Island last July, when the latter fell at the last hurdle) started inside, with Tisdall next, and Scarlett in the third lane. I was watching Lincoln and Tisdall all the way. For seven hurdles these two rose and fell together. And then it transpired that Tisdall's danger lay not on his left flank from Lincoln, but on his right from Scarlett. These two were level at the ninth hurdle, Tisdall slightly behind at the tenth. Remembering Tisdall's incredible finish against Lord Burghley a month or so ago, I hoped for his victory. He strove valiantly, but could not prevail, and the verdict went to America by six inches, in 24 7-10 sec., equalling Lord Burghley's time made on a straight track in U.S.A.

**A Plucky Two Miles.**

The position was now a serious one. America had five firsts to three. Four events to go, and with the pole vault already virtually lost, the Americans were dormy on first places. We still had a chance of victory, and if each side were to score six wins, second places would decide, and in these we led by five to three. But what a slender hope. We had to win the two miles, the long jump (in which the Americans were leading), and the 440 yards.

It was seen that Cornes was not turning out again, and on Benson and Croggon fell the task of facing the Americans, Levering (Cornell) and Pattison (also Cornell). The Americans set off as if they meant to win, though the pace from the start was a slow one. The first half occupied 2 min. 23 4-5 sec., with Levering and Pattison in the lead. They led at the mile in 4 min. 48 4-5 sec., and in the next lap Croggon began to drop further and further behind. Two laps from home Benson was running round sandwiched between the two Americans. All the trio looked very uncomfortable, but after all it was now two to one against our winning Benson's legs may have been feeling uncomfortable, but his heart was still there, and, struggling from side to side, he put in a plucky finish indeed, to earn victory for his side and tremendous applause from a slightly depressed crowd.

Added to this, Revans suddenly decided that we were not going to lose the long jump after all. At his fourth leap he cleared 23 ft. 2½ in., and this put him just over an inch ahead The pole vault had long since become an American exhibition, and Colyer delighted the crowd by clearing 12 ft. 7 in., with his fellow American second at 12 ft.

With one event to be decided, America could not be defeated, and in order to make it a draw we would have to get first and second places in the 440 yards. A possibility with Tisdall, but Tisdall was not recovered from his hurdles effort and could not run. I cannot say I had much hope. Neame and Wentworth had courage enough, but hardly the ability. At least, Neame's form of late had been such that it was impossible to build much on his chances. The race was disappointing from the start. Wentworth, after two false starts, was not fast enough to hold the inside position—Neame and both the Americans tried to get it, there was an unholy mix-up at the corner, and for the rest of the race the Americans were five or six yards ahead of our two runners. Elmer beat Keown in 51 sec., and America won the match by seven events to five, also gaining seven second places to our five.

It is of no good holding a post mortem and speculating as to what might have happened if only everything had transpired as it ought. The plain fact remains that the Americans had a better all-round team. In the States in "dual" meets they score 5, 3, 1 for first, second and third. I wish we did so here, and had we done so the score would have been Princeton and Cornell 64 points: Oxford and Cambridge 44. And that about represents the true merit of the two teams. Results:—

**100 YARDS.**

C. H. Meinig (Cornell), 1; B. H. Hand (Princeton), 2; J. T. Andrews (Oxford), 3; R. L. J. Rinkel (Cambridge), 4. Won by a yard. Time, 10 3-10 secs.

**220 YARDS.**

C. H. Meinig (Cornell), 1; J. C. Walkey (Cambridge), 2; J T Andrews (Oxford), 3; B. H. Hand (Princeton), 4. 1 yd., ½ yd. Time, 22 3-10 secs.

**QUARTER MILE.**

S. L. Elmer (Cornell), 1; A. D. Keown (Princeton), 2; L. B. Neame (Cambridge), 3; W. C. Wentworth (Oxford), 4. Time: 51 secs.

**HALF MILE.**

H. S. Townend (Oxford), 1; M. H. C. Gutteridge (Cambridge), 2; A. S. Mills (Princeton), 3; F. G. Dulaff (Cornell), 4. 7 yds., 15 yds. Time, 1 min. 56 4-5 secs.

**ONE MILE.**

J. F. Cornes (Oxford), 1; T. B. L. Bryan (Cambridge), 2; H. Dawson (Princeton), 3; R. Spencer (Cornell), 4. Time, 4 mins. 20 2-5 sec. (New record for these meetings.) Won by 12 yds.

**TWO MILES.**

C. W. Benson (Cambridge), 1; E. B. Pattison (Cornell), 2; S. R. Levering (Cornell), 3; J. R. Croggon (Cambridge), 4. 32 yds., 6 yds. Time: 9 mins. 42 secs.

**120 YARDS HURDLES.**

W. G. Heasley (Cornell), 1; R. M. N. Tisdall (Cambridge), 2; G. H. Clark (Cornell), 3; W. L. H. Thring (Cambridge), 4 A foot, inches. Time, 15 1-5 sec (a record for these meetings).

**220 YARDS LOW HURDLES.**

C. E. Scarlett (Princeton), 1, R. M. N. Tisdall (Cambridge), 2; J. W. Lincoln (Princeton), 3; R. K. Brown (Cambridge), 4. Inches, ½ yd. Time: 24 7-10 secs. (equals record for these meetings).

**HIGH JUMP.**

C. E. S. Gordon (Oxford), 6 ft. 3 3-8 ins., 1 (new record for these meetings); E. H. Ebelhare (Cornell), 5 ft. 10 ins., 2; H. H. Faber (Princeton), 5 ft. 8 ins., 3; T. P. Moll (Cambridge), 5 ft. 6 ins., 4.

**LONG JUMP.**

R. W. Revans (Cambridge) 23 ft. 2¾ ins., 1; R. C. Williams (Cornell), 23 ft. 1½ ins., 2; C. W. L. Summerill (Princeton), 23 ft., 3; W. T. Sartain (Cambridge), 22 ft. 6½ ins. 4.

**POLE VAULT.**

E. L. Colyer (Cornell), 12 ft. 7 ins., 1 (new record for these meetings); J. M. Rauck (Princeton), 12 ft., 2; P. B. B. Ogilvie (Cambridge), 11 ft. 6 ins., 3; H. H. Bayley (Cambridge), 10 ft. 6 ins., 4.

**PUTTING THE WEIGHT.**

L. H. Levy (Cornell), 48 ft. 5¾ ins., 1; O. B. Schoenfield (Cornell), 44 ft. 2 ins., 2; J. P. A. Wallace (Cambridge) 41 ft. 4¾ ins., 3; C. E. Elliott (Cambridge) 41 ft. 1¼ ins., 4. (New record for these meetings.)

### PRINCE AT POLICE MEETING.

The Prince of Wales was one of the spectators at the British Police athletic championships at Luton. He flew to the vicinity of the meeting and was given a great ovation by the crowd. He also presented the prizes. Luton Boro' Police beat Manchester City in the final of both the 104 stone and Catch weight tugs-of-war, and retained their two titles. T. E. Hoyland (Bradford) also retained his half-mile title and D McLean (Greenock) again won the mile in 4 min. 30 2-5 sec. G Coulson (Bradford) kept his two miles walking title.

### INTER-CLUB CONTESTS.

Enfield Club repeated their victory of last year in the Southgate Charity Cup inter-club competition at Edmonton yesterday, scoring 31 points. North London Harriers were second with 21½ points, Southgate and Wood Green A.A. third with 19½ points, St. Mary's (Hornsey) Harriers fourth with 13 points, and New Barnet A.C. fifth with 10 points. Enfield won each of the relay races and the two miles walking team race, but North London Harriers and Southgate and Wood Green A.A. shared the honours in the one mile running team race.

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# BISLEY MEETING.

## OXFORD RETAIN THE HUMPHRY CUP.

## MANY "POSSIBLES" RECORDED.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BISLEY, Saturday.

This was an ideal day for shooting—better than any of the preceding days this week at the sixty-seventh annual meeting of the National Rifle Association.

Before shooting had been proceeding in the *Times* competition at 200 yards for an hour, possibles of 35 began to be recorded. I noted that Pt. A. S. Smith, late 6/7 Black Watch, C.I.S. Stapleton (Royal Marines, Plymouth), R.S.M. S. Green (late Somerset L.I.), Lieut.-Col. W. McLean (late R.A.M.L.), Sergt. Arthur G. Fulton (late Queen's Westminsters), the dual gold medallist, C. H. Cave (Christchurch R.C.), Major Banks-Yeast (of the Gold Coast), and Captain G. A. Wateridge (R.A.), had each scored strings of seven consecutive bullseyes. Presently this list was added to Flying-Officer G. Richardson, S.M. (R.A.F.), L/S. H. Peattie (London Scottish), F/S. B. Crane (R.A.C.), C.W.O. Chandler (H.M.S. Pembroke), and Major C. J. Patrick (R.O.).

The R.N.V.R. Inter-Post Cup contest, shot for by teams of six serving members from each division of the R.N.V.R., who fired seven shots per man at 200 and 500 yards, resulted in the challenge cup and silver souvenirs being won by the London Division, with an aggregate of 336 Clyde scored 334, Ulster 333, Sussex 324, Bristol 322, Mersey 321, and Tyne 314.

The Graham Cup was won by H. E. Edwards, of the R.N.V.R., London, with a highest possible score of 35. O/T. W. Gibson, R.N.V.R., Tyne, was second with 33.

**THE HUMPHRY CUP.**

Four match rifle shots representative of Oxford University opposed a Cambridge team the prize at stake being the Humphry Cup. Oxford, the holders, resisted a vigorous attempt at recapture. They had a three points lead at 900 yards, eight at 1,000 yards, and finished 21 ahead at 1,100 yards. Details:—Oxford: H. P. Kingdom, 215; C. M. Harris, 216; R. Blandy, 215; A. G. Palin, 210; total, 856. Cambridge: E. A. Chapman, 218; H. A. Fosbrooke, 199; J. J. F. Russell, 211; C. Lea, 207; total, 835. Chapman's score included forty bullseyes.

In the *Daily Mail* contest the following twelve competitors tied with possibles of 35 for first place: C. I. G. W. Barber, Excellent; Q.M.S. J. E. H. Bonnett, Royal Marines; Q.M.S. Churcher, Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders; P. R. T. Garrett, late Inns of Court; Q.M.S. J. D. Hosegood, Cambridge University O.T.C.; C.P.O. M. Kelly, Pembroke; Lieut. R. J. Middlemas, Northd. Fus.; Sgt. S. Payne, Jersey; Major T. Ranken, late Royal Scots; Capt. C. Sutton, late R.F.A.; and Capt. C. Willott. R.A.F.

It was officially announced that twenty-four men in all had made possible in the *Times* contest, the additions being Col.-Sgt. W. Hopkins, R.M., and Spr. B. S. Stevens. Four men who are in lower classes and have not entered in the expert class cannot shoot in tie contest, these including Banks, Crane, Hopkins, and Stevens.

Warrant-Officer Parke, of Chatham, scored 34 in the *Times*, 34 in the *Daily Mail*, and 35 in the Wimbledon Cup, and is the probable winner of the Stock Exchange aggregate. In the *Daily Mail* class M the first prize of a bronze medal and £5 has been won by Officer-Cadet W. B. Thompson, Oxford University, with a possible, the second prize of £4 going to Officer-Cadet J. W. Burman, Jersey, with 34.

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### TRIANGULAR MATCH.

### ENGLAND'S EASY VICTORY AT GLASGOW.

After many false alarms the annual triangular match, which took place at Hampden Park, Glasgow, yesterday, was decided on its usual system and with the selected teams, the threats of first Ireland and then England to withdraw not being put into execution. The trouble arose over the fact that there are in Ireland two governing bodies, the National A. and C.A. in the Irish Free State and the Northern Ireland A.A. in Ulster, and the suspension of some of the former body of athletes by the latter body, which has a working agreement with the A.A.A. of England, produced a complicated situation.

In the special circumstances, and in view of the invidious position in which Scotland, who were the hosts, were placed, the A.A.A. decided to proceed as originally arranged, and started well by supplying the winners of the half-mile, in T. Hampson, the Oxonian and half-mile champion; the 100 yards race, with J. C. Heap, the Olympic sprinter; and the weight-putting, through R. L. Howland, the Light Blue.

England won the match very easily with a total of 20½ points, Ireland scoring 7½ points and Scotland 5 points. England have now been successful on eight occasions, Scotland having won twice.

HALF-MILE (FLAT).—(1) T. Hampson (England); (2) W. H. Kernohan (England); (3) M. O'Malley (Ireland). Time, 1 min. 58 sec.

PUTTING THE SHOT.—(1) R. H. Howland (England), 45 ft. 3 in.; (2) Dr. P. O'Callaghan (Ireland), 44 ft. 7½; (3) T. Healy (Ireland), 42 ft. 7 in.

100 YARDS (FLAT).—(1) J. C. Heap (England); (2) E. L. Page (England); (3) J. F. McNiece (Ireland). Time, 10 sec.

HIGH JUMP.—E. Bradbroke (England) and Dr. P. O. Callaghan (Ireland) tied for first place at 6 ft. 2 in.

220 YARDS (FLAT).—(1) S. E. Engelhart (England); (2) F. P. Reid (Scotland); (3) Roy Hamilton (Scotland). Time, 22 2-5 sec. Won by 10 yds.

ONE MILE (FLAT).—(1) C. Ellis (England); (2) T. M. Riddell (Scotland); (3) W. H. Calderwood (Scotland). Time 4 min. 20 3-5 sec. Won by 4 yds.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—(1) Dr. P. O'Callaghan (Ireland), 156 ft. 11 ins.; (2) W. T. Britton (Ireland), 155 ft. 11¼ ins.

120 YARDS HURDLES.—(1) Lord Burghley (England); (2) R. St. G. Harper (England); (3) J. D. Parsons (Scotland). Time, 15 sec. Won easily.

LONG JUMP.—(1) P. Anglin (Ireland), 23 ft 1 in.; (2) H. J. Cohen (England); (3) F. G. Livingstone (England).

FOUR MILES FLAT.—(1) R. R. Sutherland (Scotland); (2) J. W. Winfield (England); (3) T. Evenson (England). Time, 20 min. 2 2-5 sec. Won by 4 yds

440 YARDS FLAT.—(1) K. C. Brangwin (England); (2) I. Borland (Scotland); (3) P. C. Moore (Ireland). Time, 50 4-5 sec. Won easily.

### R.A.F. CHAMPIONSHIPS.

**CPL. FERRIS SURPRISED IN THREE MILES.**

The Royal Air Force athletic championships were concluded at Uxbridge, the proceedings commencing with a spectacular march past of 600 athletes, headed by L.A.C. R. H. Thomas, the A.A.A. and R.A.F. mile champion and Olympic runner, who carried the R.A.F. ensign. There was a surprise in the first event, the three miles race, when Corporal S. Ferris (holder), who was leading with only a short distance to go, was passed by A/c. G. H Lang (Upavon), who put in a great sprint to the winning post.

Thomas was first man home in the one mile team race, his time being 4 min. 38 3-5 sec. but his team, Henlow, were beaten into second place by Uxbridge, whose first man, L.A.C. Hester, finished second to Thomas. Thomas ran a good half-mile in the two miles relay, but again his station had to be content with second place, Halton winning in 8 min. 40 9-10 sec.

Pilot-Officer H. A. Simmons (Sealand), the Public Schools ex-champion, cleared 6 feet in the High Jump, to beat the holder, Flight-Lieutenant F E. Nuttall (Digby) by 3 inches, but Halton were successful in the team event with an aggregate of 15 ft. 7¾ in. Halton were also victorious in the quarter-mile relay and the hurdles relay.

The scoring in the team competition for the King's Cup (for senior or open teams) was very close, Halton winning with 47 points, Uxbridge being second with 45, and Hendow (holders) third with 44.

Sealand won the Air Council Cup (for junior teams) with an aggregate of 36 points, Digby being second with 34, and Upavon third with 22. The holders, Gosport, were fifth with 18 points.

L.A.C. Elliott (Catterick) retained his 100 yards title, his time being 10 1-5 sec.

# CLUB CRICKET.

## STREATHAM'S HUGE SCORE.

## ILFORD IN A TIE.

Alleyn Old Boys 151, Lloyds S.C. 177 for 5.
Addiscombe 118, Old Dunstonians 98 (A. Peary 7 for 30).
Alexandra Park 259 for 5 (dec.) (C. J. Tolfree 100, W. S. North 101), Chestnut 160.
A.E.C. 192 for 4 (dec.) (Goodyear 73); Osram 96.
Battersea 226 for 6 (dec.) (H. Beever 85), Polytechnic 154 for 8 (C. Ogilvie 74).
Barnet 177 (C. T. Atheridge 47, A. J. Swanson 5 for 47), Bushey 169 for 7 (H. C. Brown 84, M. E. Faithfull 60 not, G. R. Walker 55).
Banstead 226 for 3 (dec.) (Stevens 60 not, Smith 91), Dulwich 114 for 7.
Beckenham 236 for 5 (dec.) (A. B. Pickering 69, R. T. Bryan 52, S. T. Goldup 53), Old Merchant Taylors 160 for 6 (S. A. Trick 46).
Borough Polytechnic 193, Parson's Green 220 for 5 (Franklin 88).
Beckenham 203 (C. H. West 78, E. B. Cope 50, A. Penman 40 for 48), Gravesend 236 for 7 (G. V. Miskin 69 not, J. W. Hodsoll 50).
Bexley Heath 166 for 7 (dec.) (L. A. Lee 96); Metrogas A.S.A. 41 (H. Cucking 6 for 16, Capt. McLaren 3 for 21).
Bessoorough 283 for 5 (dec.) (A. J. Oakley 86, F. H. Smith 61, F. H. Cole, 68 not), Harrow 153 for 6.
Brentwood M.H. 149 (A. L. Day 55, S. Mallinson 48 (G. Pezen 5 for 27), Old Colfeians 221 for 3 (K. L. Keele 82 not, A. T. Deaty 77).
Brentwood 78 Harwood 5 for 38, Raybold 4 for 34), Eastern Nomads 131
Boston Park 287 for 2 (dec.) (E. Wright 105, D. Scott 107 not), Ealing 220 for 5.
Brentham 218, Highams Park 175.
Britannic House 109, Cronon Park 264 for 8 (J. Hall 59).
Callenders 34 (S. H. Cope 9 for 5), Beckton 353 for 4 (C. Swann 133, R. Dand 100 not).
Charlton Park 180 for 3 (dec.), Siemens 131 for 6.
Croydon Amateur 180 for 7 (dec.), South Essex 120 for 8 (H. Packman 47).
Croydon Municipal Officers 198 (Sawyer 98), Caterham M.I., 166 for 4 (Groves 93).
Cyphers 207 for 8 (dec.) (W. A. Wardel 76), Ibis 137 for 4 (G. E. Dewey 56 not).
Eltham 208 (J. Hall 67); Richmond 171 for 7.
Elmers End 172 for 7 (dec.), Redhill 148 for 5.
Esher 91, Anglo-South American Bank 160 (R. K. Hart 60).
Epping 86, North West Ham Conservative 81.
Exiles 247 for 4 (dec.) (T. Kelly 99, T. Male 46); Standard Bank of South Africa 108.
Gidea Park 127 (Ellis 38), Romford 115 (Farnes 6 for 36).
Guildford 225 for 6 (dec.) (M. C. Fergus 77, W. E. Philpot 73 not), Croydon 158 for 6.
G.N.R. 148 for 7 (dec.), Montrose 150 for 1 (Denning 52 not, Oatway 41, S. Johnson 48 not).
Hornsey 193 (A. G. Armstrong 72, Richmond 128 for 7.
Hampstead 220 (G. T. S. Stevens 84, L. L. Burtt 59), M.C.C. 147 (A. G. Doggart 49, Stevens 5 for 55. N. S. Atkinson 5 for 66).
Hampstead 181, Chiswick Park 261 for 7 (Reading 74, D. C. Smith 66).
Honor Oak 280 for 4 (dec.) (R. Henty 137, E. Nicol 48), Catford Wanderers 184 for 8 (A. F. Simpson 45).
Hornsey 248, Dulwich 226 for 7 (H. F. Hutchinson 58, R. L. Paton 52).
Hounslow 241 for 6 (dec.) (Smith 70), Brondesbury 254 for 6 (C. L. Fraser 84).
Ilford 127 (Clark 62), Buckhurst Hill 127.
Kenley 74 (W. G. Swallow 6 for 31, A. S. Turney 4 for 23); Streatham 372 for 8 (E. Alexander 92, S. W. Groom 58).
Kingswood 136, Reigate Priory 335 for 6 (J. W. Neale 113, J C Christopherson 101).
Lensbury 166, Sidcup 146.
L.N.E.Rly. 224 Indian Gymkhana 104 for 3 (Dr. Stoute 62 not)
L.M and S Rly. 238 for 4 (dec.) (G. Pugh 129 not) Richmond Town 96.
Lloyds Bank 224 for 5 (dec.) (H. O. Bloomfield 59), Barclays Bank 222 for 1 (R. N. Hunt 94 not), W. S. Hughes 115).
Loughton 176 (Godin 66); South Woodford 195 (Bowen 66).
London School of Economics 186 for 6 (dec.) (Goonadene 98 not), Birkbeck College 106 for 9.
Malden Wanderers 143 (Wratten 60 not), Lloyds Register 225 for 5 (Coomber 98, Bradley 71).
Midland Bank 208 for 5 (dec.) (Brackwood 51), Thornton Heath 161 for 6.
Mitcham 171 (Adams 6 for 54) Beddington 174 for 9 (S. Johnson 115 not).
Maori 87 (R. B. Tibbs 5 for 8), Croydon 214 for 9 (H. Hill 83).
North London 220 for 9 (dec.) (Joyne 83), Winchmore Hill 121 for 5.
Oatlands Park 136 (W. G. Dove 86), Byfleet 136 for 4 (W. Goold 58).
Old Quintinians 160 for 9 (dec.), Old Southendians 57.
Old Charlton 109 (J. Durr 7 for 51), Guy's Hospital 153.
Northern Polytechnic 111, P.L.A. 107 (J. Hallett 53).
Pinner 296 (Brown 102), Old Westminsters 209 for 8.
Old Olavians 263 for 8 (dec.) (J. A. Sunshine 85, W J. Williams 53, H. H. Sadler 57 not), Linden Park 140 for 5 (H. Churchill 67 not).
Purley 297 for 9 (dec.) (R. C. Gadsden 105), North Oxford 238 for 3 (Rogers 73).
P.L.A 186 for 6 (dec.) (Walkinshaw 71 not); West Ham Union Officers 77 (Tayne 5 for 22).
Sevenoaks Vine 144 (F. G. Smith 66), Yellowhammers 107 (J. D. K. Fleming 107).
Southgate 122 (M. O. Lewis 43, Smethurst 5 for 38), Teddington 135 (Robson 6 for 60).
South Norwood 183 (Knowles 70), Bromley Town 230 for 5 (E. F. Scott 102 not).
Springfield M.H. 193 for 6 (dec.) (D. Beattie 67, S. Bond 56); Woodgrove 109 (W. Wilkins 5 for 16).
Surbiton 66, Richmond 112 (C. D. Gray 7 for 21).
South Hampstead 292 for 5 (dec.) (H. N. Moss 113), Ealing 189 for 5 (H. G. Fenn 54).
St. Bart's Hospital 203 for 5 (dec.) (R. A. Gilbert 103), Hornsey 205 for 3 (J. A. Carter 112 not).
Sutton 305 for 7 (dec.) (F G. H Chalk 61, L. A Powell 82, J. J. Henderson 70 not), Epsom 72 (N. J Darling 9 for 22)
South-West Ham 156 (J. K. Gass 63); Walthamstow 60 (J. Morrell 7 for 26).
Thames Ditton 80 East Molesey 203 for 8.
The Mote 140 Hickley Park 172.
West Harrow 151; R.A.F. (Fourstores) 58 (Ivard 5 for 12)
Upper Clapton 209 for 9 (dec.) (J. Perman 53), Finchley 109 (W. H. Webster 4 for 46).
Westminster Bank 87 (A. J. Stanton 7 for 44), Derrick Wanderers 163 for 7 (R. H. Franks 53).
Wimbledon 249 (R Stoner 69, R. M. Everett 5 for 53), Reptor Pilgrims 236 (P. Rickett 52, R Stoner 5 for 60).
Wimbledon 164 for 7 (dec.) (T. D. Mitchell 60 E. W. Gomm 6 for 42), Bank of England 167 for 6 (S. M Spearing 61).
Wanstead 125, N. London 226 (Allen 71).
Westminster Bank 118, Private Banks 185 for 4 (G. Howard 56 not).

### PUBLIC SCHOOLS RESULTS.

Cranleigh School 133, Grasshoppers 175 for 7.
Mill Hill School 232 for 9 dec. (H. J. Aish 81), Leys School 189 (A. G. Skinner 75).
Free Foresters 211 (G. C. Sales 8 for 59), Dulwich College 213 for 5 (S. C. Griffiths 59 not out).
K.C.S. (Wimbledon) 262 for 8 dec., Berkhamsted School 146 for 8.
University College School 99, U.C.S. Old Boys 88.
Old Cranbrookians 265 for 5 dec. (G. D. Durtnall 145), Cranbrook School 194 for 5.
Colchester School 218, Framlingham College 93 for 1.
Caterham School 150 for 9 dec., Toc H. 173 for 6.
Dunstable Grammar School 79, St. George's 132 (Abraham 36).
Ellesmere Town 93. Ellesmere College 155 for 1.
Wellington College 199, Bradfield College 200 for 4.
Charterhouse 241 (G. B. Eccles 107 not), Free Foresters 242 for 7.
Hunts Gentlemen 296, Oundle School 297 for 7 (A. Green 118).
M.C.C. 210, Aldenham School 129.
Craven Gentlemen 269 for 4 (dec.) (A. P. Sellars 101), St. Peter's School, York, 150.
Stragglers of Asia 301 for 9 (dec.), Eastbourne College 217 for 7 (J. D. Johnston 74 not).
Emanuel School 52, Old Emanuel 107 for 5.
Llandovery College 186 (D. T. P. Lewis 54), Gilbertson's Welfare 113 for 8.
Dean Close School 179 for 5 (dec.), Cheltenham College II. 86 for 7.
Kelly College 203, Plymouth College 73.
Chelmsford 99 Brentwood School 96.
Woodbridge School 203 for 8 (dec.) (C. Roden 140 not), Campsea Ashe 142 for 4.
Douai School 167 for 5 (dec.), Reading School 92 for 7.
Wrekin College 83, K.E.S. Birmingham 150 for 6.
Stamford School 158, Old Stamfordians 249 for 6.
Churcher's College 191, Clayesmore School 114 for 9.
Colfe School 171 for 7 (dec.), Bromley School 81.
Bancroft's School 62, Chigwell School 177.
Sutton Valence School 220 for 8 (dec.), Hythe 201 for 9.
Cowley St. John 165, St. Edward's School 174.
Romany 123, St. George's College, Weybridge, 124 for 4.

### KING'S COLLEGE SCHOOL DRAW.

King's College School, for whom J. A. Seward (62 not out) and G. H. Lang (58) were the principal scorers, had the best of a drawn game with Berkhamsted who had lost eight wickets. when stumps were drawn, for 145, in reply to the home declaration at 262 for eight. For the visitors H. K. Hagon (63) and H. G. Maule (23) made a good stand for the second wicket, and S. C. L. Burford taking five wickets for 55.

### ARDINGLY BEATEN.

Ardingly College entertained a strong side of Old Ardinians the game resulting in a win for the Old Boys by 89 runs The school gave a poor batting display and were all out for 91, to which the Old Boys replied with 180, Page scoring 57 and Kinder 40.

### WELLINGTON OVERWHELMED.

Bradfield, on their own ground, gained a great victory over Wellington, the visitors, for whom Binny (48) and Hope (43) were the chief scorers, being dismissed for 199 and Bradfield obtaining the runs for the loss of four wickets. J. G. Mason (61) and J. D. Tucker (42) headed the home score. F. E. W. Tarry took five of the Wellington wickets for 36.

### OUNDLE WIN ON TIME.

Oundle accomplished a fine performance against the Huntingdonshire Gentlemen at Oundle. The visitors were all out for 296, M Cullen claiming six victims for 63 runs The School had only two hours and a-half to make the runs, and the winning hit was made off the last ball of the final over, on the stroke of time. A. Green hit finely for 118 and was well supported by B. M. Beresford (45) and L. Garrett (60).

# TENNIS.

## THE SILVER RACKET.

## LORD ABERDARE'S FIFTH SUCCESSIVE WIN.

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Lord Aberdare defeated W. D Macpherson in the match for the Silver Racket at Lord's yesterday by 3 sets to 1 (6—3, 4—6, 6—5, 6—4), and thus earned the right to play the holder, E. M. Baerlein, for the Gold Racket.

Lord Aberdare, as the Hon. C. N. Bruce, won the Silver Racket in 1922 and 1923, again in 1926, and has held it since then This will be his fifth successive challenge to Baerlein for the Gold Racket, which the latter won in 1921 and has retained since.

There are many who think that this year Lord Aberdare, who was within a stroke of beating Baerlein in the last championship, will at last achieve this ambition, but I, personally, will have to see this *fait accompli* with my own eyes before I will believe it.

Macpherson always gives of his best in the Lord's court, and yesterday he played better than he has ever done. His return at Lord's is famous, but yesterday he not only got back difficult balls, but often set up an attack from them. He served the American service and the side-wall service, and with both he kept an excellent length. He was very accurate when playing to a vacant corner after cleverly working for an opening.

**A Hard Man to Beat.**

Lord Aberdare lived right up to his reputation of being a very difficult man to beat. As ever, just when a special effort was needed, that effort was always there

In the third set this was admirably illustrated. Macpherson stood at 4—2 and 40—love, and the set looked almost his. Lord Aberdare then made his big attack. He won 5 points in succession to win that game, and he took the next to love. That made the score 4—all Lord Aberdare led 40—15 in the next game. However, Macpherson came again with a really fine effort and won 4 successive points, to lead again at 5—4. He was on the service side and leading 15—love in the tenth game.

At this point the careful observer would have noticed the characteristic gesture of Lord Aberdare which always prefaces danger to an opponent. One has seen this so often in his rackets matches as a prelude to those wonderful sequences of back-hand services which have demoralised opponents.

He laid down two short chases, crossed over and won the next four rests, making among them two beautiful strokes to the grille. He also won the final game of that set to love, which made him 2 sets to 1.

**Extra Pace.**

Before this Lord Aberdare had won the first set after some very good tennis. In the second set, however, after the score had been 3—2 against him, Macpherson played brilliantly to win three games in succession, each to 15, and, after losing a love game, won the set convincingly, the last game to 30

In the final set Macpherson played what one always felt was an uphill game. He was level at 4 games all, but the winning of the third set had allowed Lord Aberdare to play with something in hand. At that score he just put on that extra little bit of pace which Macpherson was unable to hold.

The match for the Gold Racket between Baerlein and Lord Aberdare will be played at 1 p.m. on Thursday.

### OXFORD BEATEN.

### DOUBLES MATCH WON BY CAMBRIDGE.

Cambridge, who had won the two Singles in the match against Oxford, cleared the boards yesterday by winning the Doubles. C. M. N. Baker and F. Hollins defeated P. V. F. Cazalet and G. E. Curtis by 3 sets to 2 (5—6, 4—6, 6—3, 6—3, 6—3).

The Oxford pair played extremely well to run their opponents so closely as they did Cazalet, a player of many games, was very cool at critical moments and was very accurate in his play at the grille. Curtis, a left-handed player, who has not had nearly the experience of the other three, supported him as a good second string.


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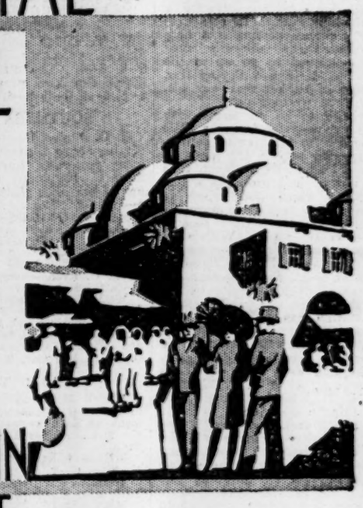

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*Lawn Tennis.*

# ENGLAND JUST BEATEN BY AUSTRALIA.

## AUSTIN'S FINE FORM—KINGSLEY BEATEN IN CRITICAL GAME.

## DAY OF MANY TOURNAMENTS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BOURNEMOUTH, Saturday.

Australia repeated their Davis Cup victory over Great Britain at Bournemouth to-day, winning by five rubbers to three a match which was in the balance right up to the third set of the final rubber. Had we pulled it off it would have been possible once more to acclaim Austin a hero.

It is of little consolation so late in the season that our best player has regained his real form. Neither does it relieve our depressed view of the outlook of British lawn tennis that for this latest defeat no blame attaches where it has so often lain before. Austin has beaten both the Australian Singles representatives, E. F. Moon and J. Crawford, and with conviction.

Crawford had no weapons with which to divert the channels of an attack which was downright and efficient. The old rhythm came back to Austin's strokes, imparting speed to a high bounding ball on a court which played fast and true, and his accuracy was that of a schooled and skilled player. He worked for his openings with forcing shots to the corners, and clinched them with volleys played with perfect touch. Austin had difficulty in dealing with Crawford's swinging service at first, but one break through sufficed to give him the first set at 6—3, and he ran away with the second at 6—1.

Earlier we had had a certain amount of satisfaction in seeing F. J. Perry, our youngest hope, beaten by Moon at his best, which meant something very different to the indifferent performance he has shown on this tour. Moon was, as ever, extremely nonchalant in appearance, but the splendid strokes of which we knew him to be capable were operative for a change. Perry held him well for a set. He was not put off by a chance passing shot here and there, but observed the volleyer's creed to the letter. He continued to go up to the net, and it was to his decisive volleying that he owed the measure of success that was his. Both began poorly, but warmed up.

Perry is not satisfied to be on terms with anyone, and it was probably by trying a little too hard, or, to use a term familiar to golfers, pressing, that he lost his service for Moon to secure the odd game lead at 8—7. Moon then lost his for 8 all, but he had probably sensed the moment of doubt which had arisen in Perry's mind, and struck home emphatically in the next two games, some perfect passing shots being his most valuable aids. With a set in his pocket, albeit one of eighteen games, Moon felt happy, and showed it by serenely taking the next set at 6—2. Perry became less confident after the loss of his service in the fifth game, and thereafter was well beaten. Not that his reputation has suffered. Such defeats as these are better medicine to the immature player than a series of victories, the value of which are liable to be falsely calculated.

Australia and England were on equal terms with three matches each, when A. J. Willard, their captain, and C. H Kingsley occupied the court, and, if anything were needed to rouse the enthusiasm of a well-packed gallery, it was provided by their match. Not only was it the most exciting of the series, but it contained some of the most entertaining lawn tennis. One would describe the two players as being just out of the top class, but as both were at their best, and a real fight was ensuing, one could easily overlook the shortcomings of technique.

Willard, for choice a doubles player, carried the burden of his country's battle upon a pair of puckish shoulders, with a smile for the fickle fluctuations of fortune, and won by 4—6, 6—3, 10—8, after Kingsley had been within a stroke of success four times. He was the volleyer and Kingsley the passer, but as neither could claim a stroke of any great punch, it was the manœuvring for openings that gave the keenest enjoyment. The closeness of the finish is recalled by the facts that Willard, having won Kingsley's service game, stood at 7—6 and 40-thirty on his own, but lost it, and then, with Kingsley leading 8—7, faced unflinchingly four match points, and survived.

I do not believe that a single member of the Doubles four knew the real state of affairs when they began. It was that Britain had to win the Doubles in three sets to win the match on the aggregate of sets or three sets to one to necessitate a count of the games. They won the opening set encouragingly, but Oliff dissipated the advantage by much ragged play, while Austin was maintaining a good level. Australia actually made certain of victory by winning the third set. Oliff became brilliant for a space in the fourth set, but the Australians won the tense fifth because of their love of a fight. We probably had not expected to win this match, because presumably our best side had been trounced by these Australians in the Davis Cup, but our young reserves went near enough for us to rue the defeat.

SINGLES.—E. F. Moon (Australia) beat F. J. Perry 10—8, 6—2; H. W. Austin (Great Britain) beat J. Crawford 6—3, 6—1; A. J. Willard (Australia) beat C. H. Kingsley 4—6, 6—3, 10—8.

DOUBLES.—J. Crawford and E. F. Moon (Australia) beat J. S. Oliff and H. W. Austin 4—6, 6—3, 6—4, 0—6, 9—7

### CROLE REES LOSES A CUP.

In the East of England Championships at Felixstowe A. W. Hill, the Scottish international, scored a surprisingly easy victory over G. R. O. Crole Rees, the holder, in the men's singles final, and incidentally prevented the Great Britain player from making the cup his own property. The score in Hill's favour was 6—0, 6—4, the winner having an advantage of mobility and controlling his game the better in the wind.

Miss Nancy Lyle, daughter of Sir Leonard Lyle, did well to beat Mrs. J. B. Pittman (*née* Goldsack) in the women's singles final by 6—4, 6—3. Her game was the severer, and she excelled with her passing strokes.

MEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: G. R. O. Crole-Rees and C. G. Eames (holders) beat J. T. Hill and A. W. Hill, 6—3, 6—1, 6—2.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: Mrs. J. B. Pittman and Miss N M. Lyle beat Mrs. H. W. Backhouse and Miss J. E. Stevens, 8—6, 6—3.

MIXED DOUBLES.—Final: G. R. O. Crole-Rees and Miss J. C. Ridley (holders) beat C. G. Eames and Mrs. Beamish, 6—2, 6—3.

### WEST HERTS TOURNAMENT.

E. Higgs won the Hertfordshire Men's Singles Championship for the fifth time at the West Herts tournament at Watford yesterday, when he beat D. A. Leahong, who was nominated by Jamaica for Wimbledon this year, by 6—3, 8—6. Leahong, whose style is strangely like that of René Lacoste, found the wind rather troublesome, for he throws the ball very high when serving. Leahong pulled up from 3—5 in the second set, in which he won his opponent's service games more often than his own.

Miss C. Hardie ought to have beaten Miss Davina Gordon in two sets in the Women's Singles Championship final, which she eventually won by 6—2, 6—3, 6—1, after having led by a set, 5—4, and 15—40 on Miss Gordon's service. Results:—

MEN'S SINGLES (Hertfordshire Championship).—Final: E. Higgs beat D. A. Leahong, 6—3, 8—6.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (Hertfordshire Championship).—Final: Miss C. Hardie beat Miss D. Gordon, 6—2, 6—3, 6—1.

MEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: E. Higgs and F. H. Jarvis beat I. S. White and I. H. Wheatcroft 6—2, 6—2.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: Mrs. H. Edgington and Miss C Hardie beat Mrs. H. G. Broadbridge and Miss D. Gordon 6—3, 6—3.

MIXED DOUBLES.—Final: I. H. Wheatcroft and Miss C. Hardie beat D. A. Leahong and Miss M. G. A. Morton 6—3, 6—4.

MEN'S SINGLES (West Herts Championship) Final.—E. Higgs beat P. M. Turnbull 6—0, 6—1.

### HULL TOURNAMENT.

Dr. J. C. Gregory and Miss M. E. Dix won the Men's and Women's Singles respectively in the tournament at Hull yesterday in cold and windy weather. Gregory beat W. H. Powell in the Men's Singles final by 6—3, 7—5, and Miss Dix disposed of Mrs. F. M. Strawson in the Women's Singles final by 6—4, 6—2. Results:

MEN'S SINGLES.—Final: Dr. J. C. Gregory beat W. H. Powell, 6—3, 7—5.

WOMEN'S SINGLES.—Final: Miss M. E. Dix beat Mrs. F M Strawson, 6—4, 6—2.

MEN'S DOUBLES (Final).—W. H. Powell and C. W. Banks beat Dr. J. C. Gregory and J. H. Spilman, 4—6, 6—4, 6—2, 6—3.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES (Final).—Mrs. F. M. Strawson and Miss M. E. Dix beat Miss E. M. Whitaker and Miss J. S. Whitaker, 6—0, 6—2.

MIXED DOUBLES (Final).—W. H. Powell and Mrs. F. M. Strawson beat R. Pickersgill and Miss M. E. Dix, 6—3, 7—5.

### CIVIL SERVICE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

D. H. Williams won the Men's Singles in the Civil Service championships at Chiswick yesterday, when he beat J. R. Reddall, the holder, in the final by 6—2, 6—2, 7—5. Miss N. W. Charlton defeated Miss D. Soper by 11—9, 4—6, 6—3 in the final of the Women's Singles.

### IRISH CHAMPIONSHIPS.

H. G. N. Lee defeated G. P. Hughes in the final of the Men's Singles in the Irish Championships at the Fitzwilliam Club, Dublin, by 3—6, 1—6, 6—4, 7—5, 6—0. Miss H. Wallis beat Miss M. French in the final of the Women's Singles championship by 6—2, 6—2. Results:—

MEN'S SINGLES.—H. G. N. Lee beat G. P. Hughes 3—6, 1—6, 6—4, 7—5, 6—0.

WOMEN'S SINGLES.—Miss H. Wallis beat Miss M. French 6—2, 6—2.

MEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: H. G. N. Lee and G. P. Hughes bee. V. Allman Smith and F. H. D. Wilde 6—3, 6—2, 6—0.

### LEICESTER WINNERS.

Dr. P. D. B. Spence was again successful in the Men's Singles and won the Mixed Doubles, with Miss B. Nuthall, in the Leicestershire tournament at Leicester yesterday. In the final of the Men's Singles he beat the old British Davis Cup player, J. B. Gilbert, by 6—4, 6—4, and in the Mixed Doubles he and Miss Nuthall beat Gilbert and Miss E. M. Dearman by 6—1, 7—5. In the Women's Singles final Mrs. W. D. List disposed of Mrs. A. D. Stocks by 6—4, 6—4. Results:—

MEN'S SINGLES (Final).—Dr. P. D. B. Spence beat J. B. Gilbert, 6—4, 6—4.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (Final).—Mrs. W. D. List beat Mrs. A. D. Stocks, 6—4, 6—4.

MEN'S DOUBLES (Final).—E. M. Buzzard and E. O. Mather beat Dr. P. D. B. Spence and J. W. Nuthall, 7—5, 5—7, 6—2, 6—3.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES (Final).—Mrs. A. H. Mellows and Miss E. M. Dearman beat Miss Wynne and Miss Boas, 6—0, 6—3.

MIXED DOUBLES (Final).—Dr. P. D. B. Spence and Miss B. Nuthall beat J. B. Gilbert and Miss E. M. Dearman, 6—1, 7—5.

### ANOTHER FINAL FOR TILDEN.

NOORDWYK-ON-SEA, Saturday.

W. T. Tilden entered the final of the Men's Singles, defeating Timmer (Holland) by 6—2, 6—3, 6—4. The other finalist will be Menzel (Czechoslovakia), who beat Prenn (Germany) by 6—3, 6—4, 4—6, 6—4.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

### SOUTHSEA TOURNAMENT.

G. O. Jameson beat O. R. Guard in the final of the Men's Singles in the Southsea Tournament yesterday without the loss of a game. Miss E. Hemmant won the Women's Singles final from Miss G. A. Rose, whom she beat by 6—3, 6—3. Results:

MEN'S SINGLES.—Final: G. O. Jameson beat O. R. Guard, 6—0, 6—0.

WOMEN'S SINGLES.—Final: Miss E. Hemmant beat Miss G. A. Rose, 6—3, 6—3.

MEN'S DOUBLES (Final).—H. A. Packer and H. E. G. Evered beat O. R. Guard and D. Powell, 7—5, 6—1, 4—6, 7—5.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES (Final).—Miss S. K. Johnson and Miss Biddle beat Mrs. C. M. B. Marriott and Miss E. Hemmant, 6—4, 6—2.

MIXED DOUBLES (Final).—H. E. G. Evered and Miss A. Gregson beat "Charles" and Mrs. C. M. B. Marriott, 6—8, 6—1. 6—2.

### BATH TOURNAMENT.

Miss E H. Smith beat her sister, Miss K. Smith, in the final of the women's singles in the tournament at Bath yesterday by 6—3, 6—4; and in the men's singles final C. A. Horton defeated N. Pike by 6—0, 6—2, 6—2. Results:—

MEN'S SINGLES.—Final: C. A. Horton beat N. Pike, 6—0, 6—2, 6—2

WOMEN'S SINGLES.—Final: Miss E. H. Smith beat Miss K. Smith, 6—3, 6—4.

MEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: C. A. Horton and N. Pike beat A. G. C. King and E. L. Percival, 6—1, 6—0, 6—2.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: Miss E. H. Smith and Miss K. Smith beat Miss D. White and Miss H. White, 7—5, 6—4

MIXED DOUBLES.—Final: E. L. Percival and Miss E. H. Smith beat B. H. Sheldon and Miss D. White, 7—5, 6—4.

### MIDLAND COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIPS.

H. K. Lester gained a good win over R. Miki, the Japanese, by 6—3, 6—3 in the final of the Men's Singles in the Midland Counties championships at Edgbaston yesterday. Miss N. Trentham won the Women's Singles final by beating Mrs. C. G. McIlquham by 6—1, 1—6, 7—5. Results:—

MEN'S SINGLES (Midland Counties Championship).—Final: H. K. Lester beat R. Miki 6—3, 6—3.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (Midland Counties Championship).—Final: Miss N. Trentham beat Mrs. C. G. McIlquham 6—1, 1—6, 7—5.

MEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: A. Gentien and C. Boussus beat H. K. Lester and E. C. Peters 6—3, 8—6, 6—4.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: Mrs. C. G. McIlquham and Miss J. Sandison beat Miss N. Trentham and Miss D. Round 7—5, 7—5.

MIXED DOUBLES.—Final: D. M. Greig and Mrs. C. G McIlquham (holders) beat H. F. David and Miss D. E. Round 6—4, 8—6.

### ENGLAND LEADING FRANCE.

DEAUVILLE, Saturday.

England won the first three matches in the women's lawn tennis contest with France here to-day. Results:—

Miss E. H. Harvey beat Mlle. Kleinadel 6—4, 5—7, 6—2.

Miss G. R. Sterry beat Mme. Bordes 6—4, 6—3.

Miss P. E. Mudford beat Mme. Henrotin 6—1, 6—3.

The match concludes to-morrow.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

### ITALY LEAD JAPAN.

GENOA, Saturday.

Italy won the Doubles match in their European Zone Davis Cup final tie with Japan, H. L. de Morpurgo and P. Gaslini beating T. Harada and T. Abe, 8—6, 9—7, 6—8, 2—6, 6—1.

Having won one of the two Singles played yesterday, Italy now lead by two matches to one.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

## SWIMMING.

### ST. PAUL'S WIN.

St. Paul's School entertained Bishop's Stortford College and defeated them by 28 points to 13. Details:—

100 YARDS.—M. Y. Ffrenchwilliams (St. Paul's), 1; J. C Newsbold (Stortford), 2; A. C. Davies (Stortford), 3. Time, 60 1-5 sec.

50 YARDS.—J. C. Newbold (Stortford), 1; G. E. Delafield (St. Paul's) and C. K. Haswell (St. Paul's), 2. Time, 26 4-5 sec.

PLUNGING.—P. D. Hopkins (St. Paul's). Distance 51 ft. 8 in

DIVING.—G. E Delafield (St. Paul's) and M. Y. Ffrenchwilliams (St. Paul's), 1; A. C. D. Parsons, 3.

TEAM RACE.—St. Paul's School (C. K. Haswell, R. W. Killick, B. F. F. Ewart, J. E. S. Macalister, G. E. Delafield, and M. Y. Ffrenchwilliams) beat Bishop's Stortford College (A. C. Davies, L. R. Newton, C. H. M. Bombas, F. Coleman, J. N. Starkey, and J. C. Newbold) by 5 yards in 1 min. 48 sec.

WATER POLO.—St. Paul's School (R. M. Marsh, G. E. Delafield, J. P. Shaw, B. F. F. Ewart, C. K. Haswell, J. E. S. Macalister, and B. Gordonstables) (6 goals) beat Bishop's Stortford (B. E. C. Stanley, R. M. Davies M. H. Farthing, A. C. Davies, W. R. Lee, J. C. Newbold, and F. Coleman) (3 goals).

### ARDINGLY'S DEFEAT.

Ardingly College entertained Westminster Bank S.C. in a 46 yds. outdoor bath. The Bank won by 23 pts. to 12. Details:—

ONE LENGTH.—B. H. Jorgan (Bank), 1; E. Strangleman (Bank), 2; G. Spensermay, 3. Time, 31 3-5 sec.

TWO LENGTHS.—D. Hearn (Bank), 1; H. V. Greenfield (School), 2; F. M. Morgan (Bank), 3. Time, 69 4-5 sec.

DIVING.—F. E. Wise (School), 1; D. Hearn, 2; D. G. Davis, 3.

### CRICKET AVERAGES.

**BATTING.**

Excluding matches in progress.

| | Innings | Runs | Highest Not Innings. | outs. | Avge. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ducat | 27 | 1480 | 218 | 3 | 61.66 |
| Sutcliffe | 22 | 1044 | 150* | 5 | 61.41 |
| K S. Duleepsinhji | 25 | 1396 | 333 | 1 | 58.16 |
| Hobbs | 26 | 1357 | 146* | 2 | 57.29 |
| Wyssall | 28 | 1447 | 158 | 2 | 55.65 |
| Hendren | 28 | 1347 | 138 | 3 | 53.88 |
| Leyland | 28 | 1299 | 211* | 3 | 51.96 |
| Watson (Lancashire) | 26 | 1246 | 135 | 1 | 49.84 |
| R. E. S. Wyatt | 27 | 1246 | 145 | 2 | 49,84 |
| N. M. Ford | 23 | 1006 | 183 | 2 | 47.90 |
| E. T. Killick | 20 | 903 | 182 | 1 | 47.52 |
| Shepherd | 28 | 1131 | 234 | 4 | 47.12 |

**BOWLING.**

Excluding matches in progress.

| | Overs. | Mdns | Runs. | Wkts. | Avge. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Parker (Glos.) | 392.3 | 109 | 884 | 69 | 12.81 |
| Larwood | 260.5 | 57 | 658 | 45 | 14.62 |
| Freeman (Kent) | 1106.3 | 292 | 2517 | 166 | 15.16 |
| Tyldesley (R.) | 671.5 | 131 | 1362 | 89 | 15.30 |
| Hardinge | 410.4 | 166 | 747 | 44 | 16.97 |
| Boyes | 447.2 | 138 | 1036 | 61 | 16.98 |
| Langridge (Jas.) | 557.5 | 135 | 1188 | 69 | 17.21 |
| Tate (Sussex) | 689 2 | 218 | 1308 | 75 | 17.44 |
| Slater | 449.5 | 163 | 824 | 45 | 18.31 |
| Mitchell (Derbys) | 663.3 | 186 | 1528 | 83 | 18.40 |
| R. C. Rought-Rought | 292.2 | 72 | 814 | 43 | 18.93 |

# ROWING.

## KINGSTON AMATEUR REGATTA.

## MORE LONDON SUCCESSES.

The racing at the Kingston Amateur Regatta was close and exciting—the bulk of the finals being won by very narrow margins. In one case a couple of feet and in another half a length covered the three competing crews. The London R.C., who covered themselves with glory at Henley, retained possession of the Kingston Grand Challenge Cup (Senior Eights) and the Raven's Court Challenge Cup (Senior Fours), and also won the Ditton's Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Eights) held by Walton R.C. Results of finals:—

JUNIOR SCULLS (SECRETARY'S CHALLENGE CUP).—M. Glass (Vesta R.C.), 1; E. O. H. Thompson (Kensington R.C.), 2; the latter fell out of his boat. Time, 5 min. 25 sec.

JUNIOR SENIOR SCULLS (SELSEY CHALLENGE CUP).—L. F. Southwood (Auriol R.C.), 1; W. R. Mellors (Midland Bank R.C.), 2. Won by a length and a quarter Time, 5 min. 2 sec.

SENIOR SCULLS (SUNBURY CUP).—F. Gentry (Ibis R.C.), 1; T. E. Letchworth (Kingston R.C.), 2. 2 ft. Time, 4 min. 58 sec.

SENIOR PAIRS (CHAPPEL CUPS).—T. Offer and J. S. Offer (Kingston R.C.), 1; S. E. Birdsall and K. R. Ogilvie (Christ's College, Cambridge), 2. Won easily.

THAMES CUP FOURS (HOME PARK CHALLENGE CUP).—Vesta R.C. (J. D. Willcox, bow and steer, R. O. Demmler, V. P. Sabin, W. D. Baddeley (stroke), 1; Kingston R.C., 2. Kingston fouled Vesta, who finished a length up. Time, 4 min. 36 sec.

SENIOR FOURS (RAVEN'S COURT CHALLENGE CUP).—London R.C. (R. Close-Brooks, steers, E. G. L. Howitt, G. H. Crawford, T. N. O'Brien (stroke), 1; Thames R.C., 2. Thames hit the poles. No time taken.

JUNIOR EIGHTS (SURBITON CHALLENGE CUP).—Molesey B.C. (R. Collins, bow, C. J. T. Higson, T. Holford, H. J. Neale, T. C. M. Jukes, P. Nye, F Atkinson, W. G. B. Glanville, stroke, T. C Palmer, cox) 1; Quintin B.C., 2. Won by a length; time, 4 min. 22 sec.

JUNIOR SENIOR EIGHTS (DITTONS CHALLENGE CUP).—London R.C. (A. G. Cardale, bow, A. G. V. Archer, G. B. Wood, G. A. Banol, B T. Hill, D. A. B. Hopkin T. Turner, J. Grumbar, stroke, J. M Rarking, cox), 1; Molesey B.C., 2; Maidenhead R.C., 3. Won by a length and three-quarters; time, 4 min. 17 sec.

THAMES CUP EIGHTS (CORONATION CHALLENGE CUP).—Quintin B.C. (C. Daniel, bow, J. Walker, A. T. Hussey, W. F. Pethick, D. F. Greig, K. T. Staples, E. W. Morris, A. L. Waters, str., E. T. Houston, cox), 1; Lensbury B.C., 2; Westminster Bank R.C., 3. Won by a third of a length; close third. Time, 4 min. 10 sec.

SENIOR EIGHTS (KINGSTON GRAND CHALLENGE CUP).—London R.C. (R. J. N. Forbes, bow), R. V. Dudley-Clarke, W. Burkitt, H. C. Boardman, H. C. Mornhett. A. J. Harby, F. M. L. Fitzwilliams, L. Luxton, stroke. C. D. Eberstein, cox), 1; Kingston R.C., 2. Won by a length and a third. Time, 4 min. 8 sec.

## BIG SCRATCH EIGHTS ENTRY

### KENSINGTON ARGYLL R.C. REGATTA.

The annual house regatta of the Kensington Argyll R.C. was held at Hammersmith yesterday. The chief event was the invitation scratch eights race, which attracted over fifty entries. The crew stroked by C. Padwick was successful. Results:—

MAIDEN FOURS.—S. Pratt (bow), H. Hopkins, S. Nash, S. Cripp (stroke), and A. Collar (cox), 1; E. Lewin's crew, 2; R. Richardson's crew, 3. Won by three lengths.

HOUSE FOURS (Directors' Cup)—North Block—J. Green (bow), S. Crisp, R. Hart, L. Porter (stroke), and F. Cuthbert (cox), 1; Crown Site crew, 2; Main Building crew, 3. Won by a length.

HOUSE PAIRS.—J. Buckland (bow), H. Ehren (stroke), H. Hopkins (cox), 1; J. Slee, L. Porter (stroke), and R. Pike (cox), 2; F. Cragg, H. James (stroke), and A Collar (cox), 3. Won by a canvas.

SCRATCH EIGHTS.—R. Buswell (Kensington Argyll R.C.), F. Stannard (K.A.R.C.), A. Byatt (K.A.R.C.), T. Tetlow (Kildare R.C.), B. Jackson (Alpha R.C.), H Bove (Oxford Circus R.C.), W. Minshall (Kildare R.C.), C. Padwick (Oxford Circus R.C.) (stroke), and H. Hopkins (K.A.R.C.) cox), 1; L. Porter's crew. 2; R. Atkinson's crew, 3.

### BOURNE END REGATTA.

Eton Excelsior R.C. were worthy winners of the Grand Challeage Cup for Junior-Senior Fours at the Bourne End Regatta. Results:—

GRAND CHALLENGE CUP (JUNIOR-SENIOR FOURS).—Eton Excelsior R.C. (W. A. Brown (bow), V. Hobbs F. Buck, and L. Barrett (stroke)), 1; Marlow R.C., 2. Won by two lengths.

THORNBIE CHALLENGE CUP (JUNIOR-SENIOR SCULLS).—G. W. Bayley (Eton Excelsior R.C.), rowed over.

JUNIOR FOURS.—Maidenhead R.C. (H. Grey (bow), P. Dempster, N. Sykes, F. L. Ashton (stroke), and R. Cooper (cox)), 1; Eton Excelsior R.C., 2.

DONGOLA RACE.—Bits and Pieces (Miss K. Smallman Miss S. Crone, E. B. Every, G. J. Smallman, R. Almenrader and M. Jackson), 1; The Roughs, 2, Pots and Pans, 3.

MAIDENHEAD FOURS.—Eton Excelsior R.C. (A. Sharratt (bow), J. B. Powell, D. A. Bond, P. R. Taylor (stroke), and H. Nicholls (cox)), 1; Reading R. C., 2. Won easily. Reading being 2½ lengths astern.

WATERMEN'S RACE.—C. S. Townsend, L. W. Townsend, and N. Townsend (cox), 1; A. Andrews, H. Corden, and R. Quelch (cox), 2; A. Mitchell, H. Burgovne and L. Hodges (cox), 3. Won by three lengths.

ELIZABETH CLEAVE CHALLENGE CUP (MEN'S DOUBLE SCULLS).—J. V. Hay, H. G. Woods and Miss Hay (cox), 1; J. Scott Underwood, G. J. Smallman and Miss Underwood (cox), 2. Won easily by two lengths.

MIXED DOUBLE CANOES.—M. W. Jackson and Miss N. Smallman, 1; R. Almenrader and Miss W. Cannon, 2; B. E. Burge and Miss S. Wootton, 3. Won by a quarter of a length.

### ALPHA L.R.C. RETAIN A CHAMPIONSHIP.

The third annual race for women's championship eights was rowed over the University course from Putney to Mortlake yesterday. Cecil Ladies R.C. were expected to compete, but they scratched at the last moment, leaving Cleavely L.R.C., another new crew, as the only opponents to Alpha L.R.C., the holders. The holders, on the Surrey station, started off at a slightly faster stroke and passing the Thames boathouse were a canvas in front. At the Mile Post the leaders were a length and a-quarter to the good, and this was made into two lengths at Harrods, and three lengths at Hammersmith Bridge, where the holders' time was 10 min. 44 sec. The Thames crew increased their lead as the race progressed, and reached Barnes Bridge in 22 min. 28 sec., with their opponents half a minute astern. Bad water was encountered at the finish, and in the end the holders won by 39 sec. in 26 min. 45 sec. The crews were:—

ALPHA L.R.C.—Miss I. Brewer (bow), Miss J. White, Miss N. Lane, Miss C. Harman, Miss A. Beckwith, Miss W. Coles, Miss B. Fuller, Miss M. Barff (str.), and Miss O. Brewer (cox).

CLEAVELY L.R.C.—Miss C. Donovan (bow), Miss E. Parker, Miss I. Hale, Miss C. Dodson, Miss B. Smith, Miss H. Peach, Miss E. Ball, Miss O Capon (str.), and Miss L. Maynard. (cox).

### THAMES A.R.A. REGATTA.

The Metropolitan Police A.A., holders of the Senior Fours, were again successful in this event at the Thames Amateur Rowing Association regatta. The course was one mile, finishing at Barnes Bridge. Details of finals:—

JUNIOR SCULLS (CHALLENGE CUP).—J. Boatman (L.G.O.C.), 1; A. Lawrence (Barnes and District R.C.), 2; W. Hill (Oxford House R.C.), 3; V. Brown (Eton Mission R.C.), 4. Won by two and a-half lengths.

SENIOR SCULLS (CHALLENGE CUP).—C. R. Barton (Hannington R.C.), 1; W. E. C. Horwood (Chiswick Generals R.C.), 2. Won by two lengths.

SENIOR FOURS (CHALLENGE CUP).—Metropolitan Police A.A.—J. Winchester (bow), F. E. Hutchins, W. G. Piper, L. W. Smith (str.), and P. W. Crouchman (cox), 1; Chiswick Generals R.C., 2. Won by two lengths.

### LONDON R.C. CREW FOR CANADA.

It has been decided to send the London R.C. eight—who won the Grand Challenge Cup at Henley in 1927 after an interval of forty years —to Canada to take part in the Empire Games Regatta in September next. T. D. A. Collet (Leander), the Wingfield Sculls winner, and J. Beresford, jun. (Thames R.C.), the old Olympic champion, it is understood, will have a trial race at Henley in the course of the next few days to decide who shall represent Great Britain in the sculling event.

### SONS OF THAMES R.C.

The annual Grand Fours, rowed off between Putney and Hammersmith, attracted a fine entry. Three crews contested the final heat. The placings were:—

R. Matthews (bow), S. Chandler, H. Walker, and F. J. Edney (str.), 1; B. Clark (bow), A. L. Getson, J McNeill and G. Wardrop (str.), 0; W. Paul (bow), J. Buswell, F. Roach, and W. Lee (str.), 0. Won by a couple of lengths after a great struggle.

### HILL-CLIMBING CHAMPIONSHIP.

Herr Von Stuck, one of Europe's greatest drivers to-day broke all records in the Midland Automobile Club's Shelsley Walsh open hill climb. He twice covered the climb—which was one thousand yards long, and included two steep right-angle corners and numerous bends in 42.8 sec.—an average speed of forty-seven miles an hour The performance was nearly three seconds better than the previous record set up by Raymond Mays on a Vauxhall Villiers last year.

### RECORD CYCLING AT HERNE HILL.

The Marlboro A.C. held its fourth annual 100 miles tandem-paced race at Herne Hill, when F. W. Southall Norwood Paragon C.C., scored his third successive win th-reby making the "Hovis" Cup his own property. His time of 3 hrs. 29 min. 58 sec. beating his own British amateur record by 1 min. 2 1-5 sec. S. A. Eaden, Vegetarian C. and A.C., finished second, 173¼ laps behind the winner.

# YACHTING.

## RACING OFF SOUTHSEA.

## KING OF SPAIN'S HISPANIA UNPLACED.

The Royal Portsmouth Corinthian Y.C. held their second regatta of the season for the International and Solent classes in a light north-westerly breeze, off Southsea yesterday. The King of Spain sailed his 8-metre International class yacht Hispania VI. for the last time in the Solent before shipping her home. Captain Dowman's Cutty again won in the 8-metre race. Zenith was first in the 6-metre race, but did not sign a declaration, and first prize went to Felma. Details:—

Race for 8-metre International Class.—The starters were: Anthea (Mr. H. G. Sicklemore); Finola (Mr. H. Johnson), Nona (Lord Forster), Unity (Mr. B. W. Preston), Sposa II. (Miss Roney and Sir Ernest Roney), Folly (Messrs. C. E. and A. W. Nicholson), Emily II. (Messrs. E. J. and E. R. Roney), Severn (Mr. R. B. Worth), Suzette II (Col. E. T. Peel), Cutty (Captain W. H. Dowman), Hispania VI. (King of Spain), and Caran (Mr. P. Westacott). The result was:—

| | H. | M. | S. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cutty | 2 | 23 | 5 |
| Nona | 2 | 24 | 42 |
| Finola | 2 | 26 | 37 |
| Emily II. | 2 | 28 | 4 |
| Anthea | 2 | 27 | 25 |
| Severn | 2 | 29 | 5 |
| Hispania VI. | 2 | 29 | 8 |
| Folly | 2 | 32 | 24 |
| Cluaran | 2 | 33 | 34 |

Suzette II., Unity and Spoza II. did not complete the course.

In the race for the 6-metre International Class, the starters were: Felma (Mr. F. A. Richards), Zenith (Miss E. Lewis), Prudence (Mr. Kenneth Preston), Bathsheba (Mr. H. G. May), Sunshine (Col. G. P. Pollitt), Timmy (Mrs. A. L. Schnapper). The finishing times were:—

| | H. | M. | S. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Felma | 2 | 42 | 12 |
| Bathsheba | 2 | 42 | 42 |
| Prudence | 2 | 44 | 25 |
| Sunshine | 2 | 44 | 58 |
| Timmy | 2 | 45 | 5 |

Others winners were—West Solent Restricted Class: Jade, 1; Squirrel, 2. Solent Sunbeam Class: Harmony, 1; Comedy, 2; Bryony, 3.

### HAMBLE RIVER CLUB.

Fine weather again favoured the weekly racing of the Hamble River S.C. There was a south-westerly breeze. In the big handicap class Mignonette (General Dallas) was first, Ancora (Mr. W. G. Luke) second and Carrie (Major Hughes) third. In the small handicap class Jonquil (Mr. Whitecombe) was first, with Majezerka second. Dora was first in the dinghy class, and Dorothy second, with Star VI. third.

In a yacht race yesterday from Plymouth to Wolf Lighthouse and back, a distance of 140 miles, Neptune (Col. Chambers), beat Jolie Brise (Mr. Robert Somerset) by 105 mins.

### ALEXANDRA YACHT CLUB.

There was a fresh north-west breeze for Thames Estuary boats, which were sent round an inshore course. Messrs. Ewing's Game Hen worked into the lead, to win eventually by a minute. Finishing times:—

Game Hen (Messrs. Ewing), 4 hrs. 5 mins. 35 secs.; White Heather (W. Allan), 4 hrs. 6 mins. 20 secs., 2; Modesty (F. Hill), 4 hrs. 6 mins. 50 secs., 3; Shamrock (Carr and Bewes), 4 hrs. 13 mins. 15 secs., 4.

A motor-boat handicap brought out a large fleet and Elsa won a close race by a second. Times:—

Elsa (Mr. Shillan), 4 hrs. 15 mins. 55 secs., 1; Dawn (D. Towell), 3 hrs. 19 mins. 56 secs., 2.

### WESTCLIFF YACHT CLUB.

An all-in handicap attracted eight starters, but one of them, Ingeborg, fouled the mark and retired. The one-design Mallard eventually won on corrected times which were:—Mallard (E. Fife), 3 hrs 45 mins. 41½ secs., 1; Moon (T. Owles), 3 hrs. 46 mins. 10 secs., 2; Jack Sprat (F. Mitchell), 3 hrs. 49 mins. 53 secs., 3.

### NORE YACHT CLUB.

The one-design boats of this club had a fine race in a good sailing breeze over two rounds of the club course. Gusto, which usually figures in first three, was again the winner by 45 seconds. The finishing times of prize winners were:—

Gusto (Messrs. Weber and Coombes), 3 hrs. 59 mins. 10 secs. 1; Effangee (Messrs. Garon and Sullivan), 3 hrs. 59 mins. 56 secs., 2; Pat (A. P. Weber), 4 hrs. 3 mins. 55 secs., 3.

### TWICKENHAM YACHT CLUB.

For the handicap and match for B.R.A. 12-footers at Twickenham a dozen boats started at 10.30 a.m.. The finish was a great one. Corrected times:—

K.14 (Mr. F. Bubb) 11 hr. 25 min. 13 sec., 1; Olga (Mr. P. S. Wilkinson), 11 hr. 25 min. 35 sec., 2; Minnow (Messrs. Roberts and Lomas), 11 hr. 26 min. 34 sec., 3; Baby Jean (Mr. J. Espezel), 11 hr. 26 min. 4 sec., 4; Midge (Mr. T. Pierson), 11 hr. 29 min. 25 sec., 5. K.14, which was the only B.R.A. 12-footer to complete the course, took the prize for the class

### HENLEY SAILING CLUB.

The Henley Sailing Club's International 14 ft. Dinghies were again catered for when six boats competed for the MacPherson Cup. Official finishing times:—

Mr. G. C. English's Togo III. (winner), 4 hr. 30 min. 51 sec.; Mr. J. H. Stewart's Yo-Ho-Ho (2nd prize), 4 hr 33 min. 28 sec.; Mr. A. C. Leach's Joy (3rd prize), 4 hr 38 min. 54 sec.; Mr. G. K. Dodd's Scythia, 4 hr. 46 min. 12 sec.; Mr. H. Merton's Edna, 4 hr. 59 min 11 sec.; Mr. P. Richardson's Trim capsized. Togo III. was also the winner in teh Russell Skinner Cup race.

### CROUCH YACHT CLUB.

Another match for the Crouch One Design Class boats was sailed off at Burnham-on-Crouch, when four boats started at 3.45 p.m.. The fleet had to sail the Cliff-Canewdon-Cliff course. The result was:—

Mr. Percy Hood's Peter Pan (winner), 5 hr. 27 min. 38 sec.; Mr. A. W. Bourne's April (2nd prize), 5 hr 31 min. 58 sec.; Messrs. W. J. and C. F. Mason's May (3rd prize), 5 hr. 41 min. 3 sec.; Capt. J. P. FitzGerald's June, 5 hr. 54 min. 58 sec.

### ROYAL CORINTHIAN Y.C.

This club's motor-yacht race from Burnham to West Mersea resulted as follows:—Ma Joie (Mr. L. L. Robinson), 4 hr. 57 min. 30 sec.; Mr. D. Miller Jones's Rnamu, 5 hr. 7 min. 12 sec.; Mr. H. Shand's Ekim, 5 hr. 41 min. 49 sec.; Messrs. H. and L. Parker's Kimmy, 6 hr. 2 min

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# RACING NOTES.

## AUSTRALIAN HORSE'S FORM.

## GREAT ECLIPSE STAKES DUEL.

## BLENHEIM AND RUSTOM PASHA.

By "FAIRWAY."

Such events as the Welsh "Derby," which was run at Chepstow on Friday, and the "Oaks," which distinguished the programme there yesterday, do much to lift the sport from the commonplace and make this West of England race-track popular. The Lingfield Park Executive was also fortunate on Friday in being responsible for the introduction of the wonder horse from Australia. Mr. Sol. Green's five-year-old Strephon II., a horse that during the last couple of seasons built up a great reputation "down under." The appearance of Strephon II. proved as attractive a feature as when the American colt, Reigh Count, was brought out at the same venue last year. The Australian horse was easily defeated, giving another instance of the extent a horse will lose his form when sent on a long journey, for had he been half fit he must, according to what he had done abroad, have scored. All staying events of importance in his own country were won comfortably by him, and it seems he has been sent here to conquer fresh fields. That he will do so if given the opportunity I have little doubt, for he is undoubtedly a grand stamp of horse; but it is not expected that he will be called upon for a serious effort this year. Possibly he will only figure in one other race, a similar class of event to the one he took part in on Friday.

Strephon II. is much like the "waler" stamp, being generous of frame. When led into the paddock he seemed a sleepy sort of customer, but all signs of this disappeared the moment he was mounted. Until he tired close home he surprised everybody by his nimbleness at the turns and his free-going action. Considering that the trip across took three months, it is not surprising he was beaten, but when acclimatised he is likely to establish himself in this country as he did abroad, where he won, roughly, £18,000. It is said that a reserve figure of no less than £25,000 was placed on him when he was put up for sale at Sydney. He may well be worth this figure at a stud where more interest is taken in stayers than middle-distance performers. Incidentally, he cost little more than £500.

### SEA ROVER'S ATONEMENT.

Manton won the Welsh Derby at Chepstow by the aid of Sea Rover, one of the colts at that quarter that failed to live up to the promise he had shown in the spring. To such stables as Manton, Stockbridge, and other establishments that make every effort to compete for the "classics," such events as this are extremely popular. Sea Rover won in good style, upsetting a much-fancied colt from Persse's quarters, Rear Admiral, who just failed to touch classic form. The Manton colt was set to give Rear Admiral 5 lb., and he made light of the task in a race that was fast run. Possibly the firm state of the going upset the Stockbridge colt. There were other bright features at this delightful and sporty gathering, most of the finishes being thrills. Sea Rover's victory made up for the disappointing show his stable companion Paradine, put up at Lingfield Park the same afternoon, for this colt failed to make any impression on Cat o' Nine Tails in a mile handicap, and performed as though he is now feeling the effects of a busy time since the spring. We have reached the stage of the year when it may be as well to treat with a certain amount of caution horses that distinguished themselves early in the season, for often at this mid-season stage there are surprising upsets.

The Second July gathering at Newmarket this week may be spoilt if rain holds off, for the Heath is badly in need of a soaking. Four Course, regarded as the best two-year-old filly so far produced this season, may be seen out on Tuesday for the Soltykoff Stakes. R. C. Dawson may exploit his smart filly, Pomme d'Api, here, for she is clearly a cut above the ordinary, according to her success at the recent July fixture.

### THE BEAUFORT STAKES.

The appearance of Fanatist in the Beaufort Stakes will make this seven furlong race more interesting than usual, for there are signs that this colt may be the selected of Mr. S. B. Joel's Stewards' Cup candidates. The distance may prove a little too far for this three-year-old, but it will be of interest to see how he shapes with a view to the six furlong sprint at Goodwood. The Kirtling Plate on Wednesday, which is framed on the new lines enabling the entrants to be claimed before the race, has attracted more entries than expected. If it proves to be a success, this new style of selling event is likely to be popular. There are many nice youngsters engaged that are worth claiming. On the concluding afternoon we may see Fair Isle started for the Midsummer Stakes if, as is probable, Press Gang stays away. It is said Lord Derby's filly has completely recovered. She was badly amiss when sent to the post for the Oaks.

The week is crowded with programmes, and towards the end Sandown Park has its special feature, the Eclipse Stakes. The Derby winner, Blenheim, will have to meet Rustom Pasha, and I fancy the latter will prove the better on this occasion. Walter Gay is likely to be affected by the going unless the weather changes. Writ may represent Manton, and some half a dozen others are due to turn out. On Saturday, the Aga Khan has a good chance of carrying off the National Breeders' Produce Stakes with Turtle Soup, believed to be the best of the Whatcombe juveniles. When seen out before over the course this youngster failed, chiefly through lack of experience.

I append a few fancies for the week:—

FOLKESTONE.—Monday.
Chatham Handicap.—MANTO.
Maidstone Plate.—MARLBOROUGH.
NEWMARKET.—Tuesday.
Soltykoff Stakes.—FOUR COURSE.
Beaufort Stakes.—BARRACK LAW.
Saxham Stakes.—BERRYDALE.
NEWMARKET.—Wednesday.
Zetland Stakes.—MARLBOROUGH.
July Handicap.—MERTON ABBEY.
NEWMARKET.—Thursday.
Midsummer Stakes.—FAIR ISLE.
Reach Plate.—BUNDABERG.
Summer Handicap.—NORLAND.
Bury Handicap.—MERRY LASSIE.
BATH.—Wednesday.
July Handicap.—PUTNEY.
Two-Year-Old Plate.—WHINNIE BRAE FILLY.
BATH.—Thursday.
Somerset Handicap.—MILEAWAY.
Maiden Plate.—HUZZAH.
SANDOWN.—Friday.
Great Kingston Plate.—COLDSTREAM.
Eclipse Stakes.—RUSTOM PASHA.
SANDOWN.—Saturday.
Anniversary Cup.—DARK BRILLIANCE.
Breeders' Stakes.—TURTLE SOUP.
Coombe Plate.—TEMPLARIO.

### OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

ECLIPSE STAKES, SANDOWN.—Mr. Jinks by 10 p.m. Friday, Guy Mannering, Robbin a Bobbin, and Caerleon at 9 a.m. yesterday.
LIVERPOOL CUP.—Plantago at 9 a.m. yesterday.
FOLKESTONE MEETING.—Chatham Handicap: Devonie. Dover Mid-Weight Handicap: Lumley, Douglas, Devonie. Maiden T.Y.O. Selling Plate: Motor-boat. Stanford Plate: Step Lively, Miss Putt.
NEWMARKET MEETING.—Spring Hall Plate: Tetragem. Reach Selling Plate: Savoia. Zetland Stakes: Galhampton. Soltykoff Stakes: Moireen Rhu, Florence Dombey.
MISCELLANEOUS.—National Breeders' Produce Stakes, Sandown: Orphiline. Coombe July Plate, Sandown: Filament. All engagements in Lady Bradford's name: Sunny Bar. All engagements in Mr. A. M. Pope's name: Musk Mallow. All engagements in Mr. Fred Armstrong's name: Miss Togo. Uddington Selling Plate, Hamilton: Tees Head. All engagements: Va Poule, 2LO.

*Yesterday's Racing.*

# WELSH OAKS FOR LORD GLANELY.

## OCEAN WIDE WINS.

## A POPULAR SUCCESS.

From OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT.

CHEPSTOW, Saturday.

An attractive programme and the promise of a good race for the Welsh Oaks drew a large attendance here this afternoon. The meeting was favoured by fine weather, but the course was in a very hard condition, and some trainers did not take the risk of running their horses, fields, generally, being small.

It was appropriate that Ocean Wide should win the Oaks, for Lord Glanely, her owner, is a founder and steward of the meeting, and one of its best patrons.

Pentilla won the opening event—the Penarth Maiden Plate—for Mr. R. Dawson after being behind until two furlongs from home. Parthenon ran well until challenged by the winner, when he weakened, and Pentilla went on to win by a length from Remony, Pretty Shot being only a short head away third.

As was anticipated, Lovelace had no difficulty in securing the Llanvair (S.) Plate for Mr. H. Dennis. The winner jumped off in front and won comfortably by three-quarters of a length from Obedience and Chirpy. Obedience challenged at the distance, but could make no impression.

Although Ocean Wide's win was a very popular one, it came as a great disappointment to the many who had regarded The Pen as a good thing. Mrs. Hartigan's filly was a hot favourite when the tapes went up, but after three furlongs Ocean Wide took the lead from Thread. The latter, however, quickly regained it, only to give way when Lord Glanely's filly challenged again. After entering the straight Ocean Wide was followed by Peace Pact and The Pen, Thread having dropped behind beaten, and they finished in that order. Details:—

2.30.—PENARTH MAIDEN PLATE (3-Y.-O.) (£150) (6f.).

**Pentilla** (Mr. R. Dawson) b g by Vencedor—St. Helen's, 8 st. 4 lb. .....(Beary) 1
**Remony** (Mr. Friend Sykes), ch f by Flying Orb—Phyllis Dare, 8 st. 4 lb. ...(F. Herbert) 2
**Pretty Shot** (Mr. J. B. Joel) b f by Sunstar—Kiss Cannon, 8 st 4 lb. .....(Carslake) 3

Also ran: Golden Earl, Parthenon, Double Toy, Guards' Officer, The Ugly Duchess, Cone of Fire, Dodabetta. (Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 2 to 1 agst Golden Earl, 7 to 2 PENTILLA, 4 to 1 Parthenon, Pretty Shot, 10 to 1 Guards' Officer, 100 to 6 others. 1 l, short head.

Totalisator.—Win, 12s.; places, 4s. 6d., 9s. 6d., 2s. 9d.; win pool, 5,780; place pool, 6,278.

3.0.—LLANVAIR (S.) PLATE (£125) (1m.).

**Lovelace** (Mr. H. Dennis), b g by Sir Berkeley—Lovebird, 6 yrs., 7 st. 8 lb. (Weston) 1
**Obedience** (Mr. E. H. Gregory), b c by Boss—Hobble Skirt, 4 yrs., 8 st. 4 lb. (C. Richards) 2
**Chirpy** (Mr. J. Allen), b g by Son-in-Law—Mont d'Or, 5 yrs., 8 st. .....(Brennan) 3

Also ran: Avoceta, Jack Whitehouse. (Winner trained by Barthropp.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 7 to 4 agst LOVELACE, 5 to 2 Jack Whitehouse, 4 to 1 Obedience, 5 to 1 Chirpy, 10 to 1 Avoceta. ¾ l., head.

Totalisator.—Win, 5s. 6d.; places, 3s. 3d., 6s. 3d.; win pool, 5,228; place pool, 2,792.

3.25.—MABON (S.) PLATE (£110) (2-Y.O.) (5f.).

**Viodel** (Mr. Carter), ch f by Beresford—Glenmachree, 8 st. 6 lb. ..... (G. Richards) 1
**Karelia filly** (Mr. G. Hands), by Winter King, 8 st. 6 lb. ..... (F. Herbert) 2
**Harvest Queen** (Mr. W. Bell), gr f by Ethnarch—Green Sheaf, 8 st. 6 lb. ...(Lane) 3

Also ran: Mrs. Shear's, Green Lover. (Winner trained by Templeman.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 6 to 4 agst Green Lover, 3 to 1 Karelia filly, Harvest Queen, 5 to 1 VIODEL, 100 to 8 Mrs. Shear's. 1½ l., 3 l.

Totalisator.—Win, 9s. 6d.; places, 5s. 3d., 7s.; win pool, 4,862; place pool, 2,806.

4.0.—WELSH OAKS (£700) (3-Y.-O. FILLIES) (1½m.).

**Ocean Wide** (Ld. Glanely), b f by Transcendent—St. Amour, 8 st. .....(G. Richards) 1
**Peace Pact** (Mr. R. L. Glasspool), b g by Vizier—Princess Sublime, 8 st. 4 lb. (Perryman) 2
**The Pen** (Mrs. Hartigan), br f by Cygnus—Kilbrona, 8 st. 4 lb. .....(C. Richards) 3

Also ran: Deaconess, Dark Light, Thread, Mylitta. (Winner trained by Hogg.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 6 to 4 agst The Pen, 9 to 4 OCEAN WIDE, 10 to 1 Deaconess, Peace Pact, Dark Light, 20 to 1 others. 1½ l., 1 l.

Totalisator.—Win, 6s.; places, 4s., 6s. 3d.; win pool, 8,832; place pool, 6,609.

4.30.—LYSAGHT PLATE (£200) (5f.).

**Tutbury** (Mr A. M. Melville), b h by Argosy—Miss Tut, 6 yrs., 8 st. 13 lb. .....(Wing) 1
**Thunder Squall** (Mr. S. Wootton), b g by Noblesse Oblige—Bayame, 4 yrs., 9 st. (Rook) 2
**Vanda** (Mr. F. Templeman), b f by Brigand—Varoumi, 3 yrs., 6 st. 10 lb. ...(A. Smirke) 3

Also ran: Lucky Break, No Fear, Myron, Sergeant Custume, Miss Orkney, Heath Lodge, Sincera. (Winner trained by Nugent.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 7 to 4 agst TUTBURY, 7 to 2 Thunder Squall, 5 to 1 Myron, 6 to 1 Lucky Break, 8 to 1 No Fear, 10 to 1 Sergeant Custume, Heath Lodge, 20 to 1 others. 1 l., 1½ l.

Totalisator.—Win, 5s. 3d.; places, 2s. 9d., 4s., 5s. 6d.; win pool, 8,730; place pool, 7,870.

5.0.—WYE VALLEY MAIDEN PLATE (£125) (2-Y.-O.) (5f.).

**Sun Glory** (Mr. J. B. Joel), gr f by Golden Sun—Toinette, 8 st. 6 lb. .....(Carslake) 1
**Vincent** (Mr. G. F. Hartigan) ch c by Vencedor—Lady Kitty, 9 st. 5 lb. (G. Richards) 2
**La Boni** (H.H. the Aga Khan), gr f by Pharos—La Mauri, 8 st. 6 lb. .....(Beary) 3

Also ran: Endale, Imago, Monzie. (Winner trained by C. Peck.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* Evens La Boni, 3 to 1 agst Vincent, 100 to 30 SUN GLORY, 10 to 1 Endale, 100 to 6 Monzie, 50 to 1 Imago. 1½ l., 2 l.

Totalisator.—Win, 9s. 9d.; places, 3s. 9d., 4s. 3d.; win pool, 7,418; place pool, 7,533.

Total Investments.—Win, £4,085; place, £3,088 16s.

### EDINBURGH.

3.0.—CRAIGMILLAR (S.) HANDICAP (£110) (1m.).—**Guano** (2 to 1 agst., W. McCafferty), 1; Flint Stone (2 to 1, C. Brown), 2; Elegant Lad (3 to 1, Nevett), 3. 3 ran. (Winner trained by Boyd.) Short head, 2 l.

3.30.—CASTLEMILK (S.) PLATE (T.Y.O) (£110) (5f.).—**Doia colt** (5 to 4 on, J. Leach), 1; Chariot (6 to 1 agst, Thwaites), 2; Jannee (7 to 2, T. Burns), 3. 6 ran. (Winner trained by Leach, sen.) 2 l., same.

4.0.—PENTLAND H'CAP PLATE (£200) (7f.).—**Alexandra Day** (3 to 1 agst, A. Richardson), 1; Tyen (11 to 10 on, Nevett), 2; High Brambles (10 to 1 agst, Crossley), 3. 5 ran. (Winner trained by G. Armstrong.) ¾ l., same.

4.30.—GRANGE PLATE (£200) (1¼m.).—**Kippit Lore** (2 to 1 agst, Caldwell), 1; Black Diamond (6 to 1, A. Jefferies), 2; Grey Stockings (9 to 4, A. Richardson), 3. 5 ran. (Winner trained by F. Armstrong.) 1½ l., ½ l.

5.0.—LIBERTON PLATE (£150) (5f.).—**Welfare Centre** (6 to 4 agst, J. Leach), 1; Tuscania (2 to 1, Caldwell) 2; Biddlestone (9 to 4, T. Burns), 3. 3 ran. (Winner trained by Leach, junr.) Neck, 6 l.

5.30.—ESK HANDICAP PLATE (£200) (1m.).—**Saint Nicholas II.** (11 to 8 agst, J. Leach), 1; The Wrecker (10 to 1, C. Brown), 2; Switch On (9 to 2, Baines), 3. 6 ran. (Winner trained by Leach, junr.) Short head, 3 l.

# RACING AT BROOKLANDS.

## RIDER'S FORTUNATE ESCAPE FROM SERIOUS INJURY.

W. E. Marshall had a narrow escape from serious injury in the opening race of the British Motor Cycle Racing Club's meeting at Brooklands yesterday. He was coming off the members' banking at high speed when his engine seized, causing him to crash. He was fortunate to escape with nothing more serious than a sprained wrist and a strained arm. Results:—

THREE-LAP ALL-COMERS' HANDICAP.—Heat 1: C. B. Bickell (Chater-Lea), 33 sec., 1; W. W. Thorne (Rex-Acme), 1 min. 24 sec., 2; J. Duncan (Grindlay Peerless, J.A.P.), 3 sec., 3. 15 starters. Won by 50 yds. Speed, 90.22.

Heat 2: C. S. Staniland (driving J. S. Worters's Rex-Acme), 36 sec., 1; L. J. Archer (New Imperial), 1 min. 9 sec., 2; A. R. Quinn (driving V. E. Horsman's Triumph), 9 sec., 3. Won easily. Speed, 89.74 m.p.h.

(Rex-Acme-Blackburne), 5 min. 24 sec. Won easily by six lengths. Speed, 99.01 m.p.h.

25 MILES SOLO HANDICAP.—R. H. Hopkins (Chater-Lea), 3 min. 18 sec., 1; C. B. Bickell (Chater-Lea), 2 min. 51 sec., 2; W. W. Thorne (Rex-Acme-Blackburne), 5 min. 24 sec., 3. Won easily. Speed, 92.06 m.p.h.

25 MILES HANDICAP.—A. J. Dussek (Norton and sidecar), 3 min. 27 sec., 1; H. A. Howell (Norton), 45 sec., 2; J. Duncan (Grindlay Peerless, J.A.P.), scratch, 3. Won easily. Speed, 79.30 m.h.p.

25 MILES PASSENGER HANDICAP.—V. E. Horsman (Triumph), 36 sec., 1; H. G. Birch (Chater-Lea), 3 min. 54 sec., 2; A. J. Dussek (Norton), 1 min. 57 sec., 3. Won by 300 yds. Speed, 85.87 m.p.h.

RELAY RACE (for teams of three).—White team (C. B. Bickell, Chater-Lea; Gus Grose, Rudge Whitworth; E. C. E. Baragwanath, Braugh Superior, J.A.P.), 1; Blue Team (S. H. Jones, New Imperial; R. R. Barber, Matchless; L. J. Archer, New Imperial), 2. Won easily. Speed, 64.0 m.p.h.

# SURPRISES AT LINGFIELD.

## MAJORITY CALLING WINS GREAT FOAL PLATE.

## R. DICK IN FORM.

LINGFIELD, Saturday.

There was a capital attendance here this afternoon. Several nice youngsters figured in the Great Foal Plate, which was won by Sir Percy Newson's filly Majority Calling, who easily overcame the much-fancied Heritage, whose chance seemed particularly bright according to his recent form. Ladies' Chain ran moderately, considering what was expected of her. This filly did not appear to be quite so cool and collected as when she won at Manchester. Sir William Cooke's Squander filly was running on, and should soon score.

Bearskin, who got slowly away when fancied at Newmarket recently, did not begin much more brightly when taking part in the Imberhorne Handicap. Don Pat and Osculator forced the pace early on, but they had no chance when Wragg sent Bearskin through.

Mrs. C. Rich won her second selling two-year-old event at the fixture when Tondeleyo filly won the Starboro' Plate. When seen out at Sandown Park this youngster came up against some particularly smart platers, but on this occasion she had little to do to beat the field. Details:—

2.30.—BRAMBLETYE (S.) H'CAP PLATE (£200) (5f.).

**Smile** (Mr. E. H. Webber), b m by Adular—Dimples, 6 yrs., 8 st. 1 lb. ..... (F. Fox) 1
**Quenda** (Mr. H. Pulitzer), gr f by The Boss—Chloe, 3 yrs., 6 st. 13 lb. ..... (H. Gunn) 2
**Tully Wood** (Mr. B. C. Fitch), b m by Farman—Miss Carling, 6 yrs., 8 st. 1 lb. (S. Wragg) 3

Also ran: Double Spot, Big Ben, Security Lass, Privilege, Deslador, Norman Duchess, Donation, Paradise Pet, Battles, Regal Love, Varne. (Winner trained by Hobbs.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 2 to 1 agst SMILE, 7 to 2 Double Spot, 11 to 2 Norman Duchess, 8 to 1 Varne, 10 to 1 Tully Wood, Regal Love, 100 to 7 Privilege, 100 to 6 Quenda, 20 to 1 others. Head, 1½ l. An objection by the rider of the third to the second for crossing was overruled.

Totalisator (2s. stake).—Win, 6s. 3d.; places, 3s. 6d., 8s. 6d., 6s. 9d.; win pool, 5,075; place pool, 4,988.

3.0.—STARBORO' (S.) PLATE (£200) (2-Y.O.) (6f.).

**Tondeleyo filly** (Mrs. C. Rich), by Glanmerin, 8 st. 11 lb. ..... (R. Dick) 1
**Monday** (Mr. G. C. Poole), br g by Mountaineer—Hideaway, 8 st. 11 lb. (H. Wragg) 2
**Pipina** (Mr. Z. G. Michalinos), ch f by Pelops—Despina, 8 st. 11 lb. ..... (Sirett) 3

Also ran: Haakon, Rich Cissy, Prosper, Imperial Pint, Mixed Melody. (Winner trained by W. Nightingall.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 15 to 8 agst TONDELEYO FILLY, 100 to 30 Pipina, 4 to 1 Monday, 7 to 1 Rich Cissy, 8 to 1 Mixed Melody, 20 to 1 others. 1 l., 2 l.

Totalisator.—Win, 6s. 3d.; places, 2s. 6d., 2s. 6d.; win pool, 4,357; place pool, 4,407.

3.35.—GREAT FOAL PLATE (£1,000) (2-Y.O.) (5f.).

**Majority Calling** (Sir P. Newson), ch f by Diomedes—Miss Majority, 8 st. 8 lb. (R. Dick) 1
**Heritage** (Sir Victor Sassoon), b c by Legatee—Earlford, 8 st. 11 lb. .....(Donoghue) 2
**Zanoff** (Mr. Z. G. Michalinos), b c by Pelops—Zinovia, 8 st. 6 lb. .....(Sirett) 3

Also ran: Ladies' Chain, Ridgeway, Orangery, Squander filly, Temea. (Winner trained by W. Nightingall.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 2 to 1 agst Heritage, 4 to 1 Ridgeway, 5 to 1 Zanoff, 6 to 1 Ladies' Chain, 7 to 1 MAJORITY CALLING, 8 to 1 Squander filly, 20 to 1 others. 2 l., same.

Totalisator.—Win, 29s. 6d.; places, 5s. 3d., 8s., 4s.; win pool, 6,620; place pool, 6,201.

4.10.—IMBERHORNE H'CAP (£500) (6f.).

**Bearskin** (Mr. D. Landale Wilson), ch g by Marten—Soldier's Daughter, 4 yrs., 7 st. 12 lb. .....(H. Wragg) 1
**Osculator** (Mr. A. E. Berry), ch c by Somme Kiss—Amity, 3 yrs., 7 st. 2 lb. (Treacey) 2
**Basra** (Mrs. John Howeson), b f by The Boss—Goura, 4 yrs., 8 st. 4 lb. ..... (R. Dick) 3

Also ran: Somme Orb, Square Rock, Don Pat, Devonie. (Winner trained by T. Waugh.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 11 to 4 agst Devonie, 4 to 1 BEARSKIN, 5 to 1 Basra, 6 to 1 Osculator, 13 to 2 Don Pat, 10 to 1 Square Rock, 100 to 7 Somme Orb. 2 l., same.

Totalisator.—Win, 7s. 9d.; places, 4s. 5s. 6d.; win pool, 7,995; place pool, 4,280.

4.45.—TANDRIDGE COURT WELTER HANDICAP PLATE (£200) (1m.).

**Virgo** (Mr. H. Martin), b f by Zodiac—Pinwheel, 4 yrs., 7 st. 4 lb. .....(Lowrey) 1
**Lilette** (Mr. Z. G. Michalinos), b f by Letonora—Irette, 4 yrs., 8 st. 5 lb. ...(Sirett) 2
**Barbizon** (Lord Londonderry), b g by Gainsborough—Sun and Air, 4 yrs., 9 st. (H. Wragg) 3

Also ran: The Factor, Footmark. (Winner trained by J. Nightingall.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* 5 to 4 on Barbizon, 4 to 1 agst Footmark, 13 to 2 Lilette, VIRGO 100 to 8 The Factor. ½ l, 1½ l.

Totalisator.—Win 18s. 9d.; places, 7s. 3d., 10s.; win pool, 6,355; place pool, 2,579.

5.15.—JULY CLUB WELTER PLATE (£150). (1m.).

**Sky-writer** (Mr. F. P. Chapman), b g by Skyrocket—Alphabetical, 5 yrs., 11 st. 10 lb. (Mr. Sclater) 1
**Crafty Captain** (Mr. J. C. Denison-Pender), b c by Captivation—Lough Carra, 4 yrs., 11 st. 13 lb. .....(Mr. D. Armstrong) 2
**Xenophobe** (Mr. Michael Stephens), b c by Blue Ensign—Xanadu, 4 yrs., 11 st. 13 lb. (Mr. M. Blair) 3

Also ran: Grange View, Moika, Gaga, Phantasia. (Winner trained by J. Chapman.)

Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle:* Evens Crafty Captain, 11 to 2 SKY-WRITER, 7 to 1 Gaga, 8 to 1 Xenophobe, Phantasia, 20 to 1 others. ½ l., 3 l.

Totalisator.—Win, 11s. 3d.; places, 4s. 3d., 3s.; win pool, 3,431; place pool, 1,778.

Total Investments.—Win, £3,383 6s.; place, £2,423 6s.

### AUSTRALIAN GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.

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Saturday.

The Grand National Steeplechase, over a course of three miles one furlong, was run here to-day, and resulted as follows: Moss Trooper, 1; Namera, 2; Glentronie, 3. Fourteen ran. Won by four lengths, three lengths between second and third. Betting: 7-1 against Moss Trooper, 9-2 Namera, and 33-1 Glentronie. Moss Trooper also won the Grand National Hurdle Race on Saturday last.—*Reuter's Special Service*

# RUGBY TOURISTS.

## BRITISH WIN AGAINST HAWKE'S BAY.

NAPIER, N.Z., Saturday.

The British Rugby touring team gained the fourteenth victory of their tour, defeating Hawke's Bay by one placed goal, two penalty goals, and one try (14 points) to one penalty goal (3 points). Hawke's Bay, captained by M. Brownlie, who, with C. Brownlie, had emerged from retirement for the occasion, are one of the strongest sides to be met, and they were confidently expected to beat the tourists.

M. Brownlie was pulled up for off-side, and Jennings opened the scoring with a penalty goal. The Bay attacked strongly after this, but Morley played a great game and repeatedly stemmed the rushes. Grenside, the home left-wing three-quarter, was almost over when he was pulled down by Bassett. Grenside was knocked out in the tackle, but resumed later with his head bandaged. The British forwards, clearing gallantly, weathered the storm and at half-time led by 3 points to nil.

**Thrilling Second-Half Play.**

Britain resumed in the second half, facing a strong sun. Hectic exchanges continued, the Bay forwards dominating the play. Welsh, intercepting a pass, made a great run, but was pulled down by South, the centre three-quarter. Following this, Jennings scored a sensational penalty goal from the half-way line.

Successive movements by the British backs, in which Novis was prominent, greatly thrilled the crowd. Lambie, the Hawke's Bay half, was hurt, but resumed later. Britain now greatly improved, Knowles, at scrum-half, doing some good work, while Bassett at back was infallible.

The Bay forwards asserted pressure, and Poole was penalised for obstructing Brownlie. Grenside scored a penalty goal from the resultant kick. A British forward rush, headed by Wilkinson and Rew, resulted in Jennings getting over for a fine try. He took the kick himself, but failed to convert.

The British forwards kept up the pressure, Jones, Welsh, and Beamish showing up prominently. A fine bout of passing between Poole, Novis, and Jennings resulted in the latter again getting over for a try. Martindale took the kick this time and converted. The tourists continued to be very dangerous, but the home defence held out and there was no further score, Britain winning by 14 points to 3.—*Reuter's Special Service.*


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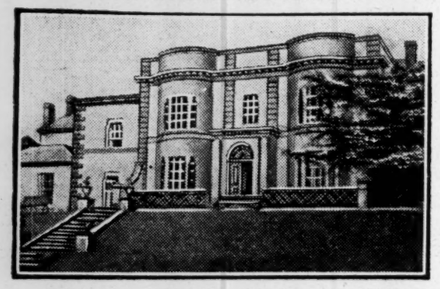

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